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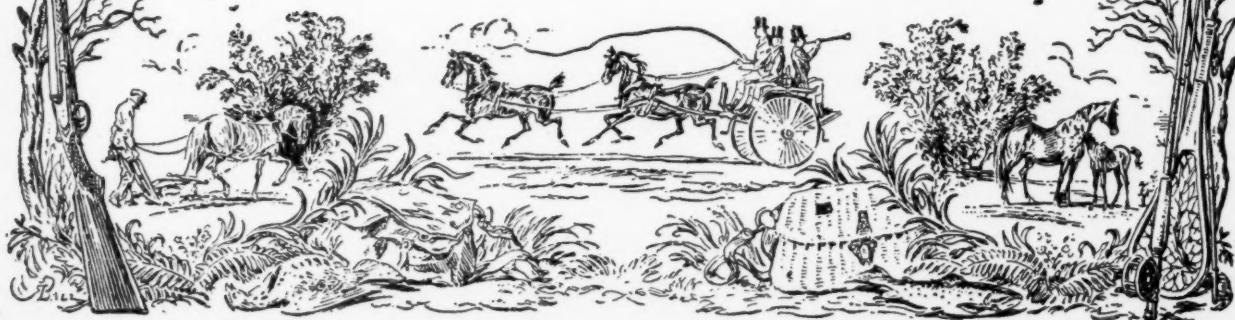
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Sir Alfred Munnings



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## MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND PONIES

Children (and many grown-ups) all over the world owe Great Britain a debt of gratitude for its breeds of mountain and moorland ponies. Although there are various small breeds in such countries as Mongolia, Iceland and Norway, which are technically classified as ponies because they stand somewhat less than 14 hands 2 inches, these are actually closer to horses, stunted by the scarcity of food. For true ponies we look to the mountains of Wales and Connemara, to the moors of Dartmoor and Exmoor and to the Isles of Shetland.

As detailed elsewhere in this issue a very considerable number of animals have been imported from these localities to the United States and Canada in recent years, mostly as breeding stock. Next to their small size, undoubtedly the most outstanding characteristic of ponies is their adaptability. It is this characteristic which has enabled them not only to survive the rugged climate and sparse vegetation of their native heath, but also to adjust themselves to the comparatively pampered existence of their new homes and to excel at many new tasks.

Among the essential adjuncts of pedigreed livestock are breed shows which not only serve to advertise the stallions, mares and geldings which their owners have for sale, but also furnish them a basis of comparison according to which they can improve their standards. In setting up show standards for pony breeding stock in this country two schools of thought have been almost inevitable. There are those who feel that British show standards should be strictly followed, since it is under these standards that the various pony breeds have reached their present excellence. There are others who maintain that conditions here are quite different from those in Britain; that imported ponies can be readily adapted to them; and that we should follow our own show standards.

As long as there are enough breeders with enough ponies to fill classes, show secretaries will write prize lists and set up standards to suit them. By the same token it is difficult for any one group in a breed society to tell any other group that it must conform or get out, particularly if the latter consists of a larger segment of breeders and owners.

One thing we should all remember, however. Every breed, ponies included, has its particular characteristics which not only set it apart, but

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give it special value. It is a matter of record that the conformation and working qualities of many breeds, dogs particularly, have been all but ruined by changes in show standards. Maintaining and intensifying breed characteristics is the precious responsibility of our various breed societies. Let us all make sure that they live up to it.

## Letters • • • •

### Lead Line

Dear Sir:

I was much interested in the letter about lead line requirements and Mrs. Burr's report on one judge's outlining of the points. I am no authority, as I too have never seen requirements listed in show programs. However, I have had the pleasure of teaching several hundred children to ride, always stressing horsemanship. I sincerely believe lead line classes should be worded so that the little ones may not be just boosted into the saddle and told to sit there, on no matter what size horse or pony.

My work (through my camps and pony clubs) with children has taught me that very young children can not understand the good or bad points of their mounts. In most cases the six and under can understand the very simple requirements of horsemanship, however. I do believe suitability of mount should be considered. I believe they should be ponies in all lead line classes and be led by an adult. May I suggest the following requirements: This is a copy of the Lead Line Class listed in the James River Hunts Show of May 19th and 20th, 1956.

Class 14 - Lead Line - Open to children (not showing in any other class in this show) who have not reached their seventh birthday. Hands, seat, promise and picture to count 75%. Suitability of pony for small children, manners and kindness 25%.

Sincerely,  
Dorothy Mitchell  
Columbia, Ky.

### Florida Showing

Dear Sir:

Some time ago you asked me to explain the difference between the Florida Hunter and Jumper Association and the Florida Horse Show Association. The Horse Show Association, primarily saddle horse for years, sets up the rules for the Sunshine Circuit shows, and puts on the big Miami annual Dinner Key show. The hunter and jumper people, misunderstood and showing under very few classes, no money and poor judging, felt they needed an organization that could work along with the Horse show group, and all shows in Florida, explaining just what the jumping

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## BREEDING

AND

# Racing

REVIEW OF THE WEEK

## Howell E. Jackson's Four Fathoms Defeats Mrs. John Maloney's Soft Day In Chesapeake Trial

Charles Lamb

(Raleigh Burroughs is on vacation)

New York State's proposed "dream track" is a giant step closer to completion today following Governor Averell Harriman's signing of the Hellman bi-partisan bill.

The bill provides for many sweeping changes in the State's racing structure, including:

1. Construction of a new super track at Aqueduct by the Greater New York Association, Inc., major reconstruction at Belmont and Saratoga and the abandonment of Jamaica.
2. One per cent reduction of the State's share of the "take", with a similar increase going to the tracks.
3. Addition of 14 days to the racing schedule.

Razing of Aqueduct is expected to be completed in mid-summer and work on the dream track, the world's most modern, will begin immediately thereafter. Cost of the new track at Aqueduct is estimated at \$25,000,000.

The changes in the take distribution will be in effect only until the funded indebtedness necessary for construction and rehabilitation is discharged, with a 1965 deadline. The measure is expected to boost track revenue by approximately \$40,000,000.

Most of the State's loss in revenue will be made up by the addition of the 14 extra days to the schedule. This year, the season will be extended from November 15 to November 30. In future years, the additional days will be fitted into the dates picture between March 25 (April 1 has been the traditional opening date) and November 30.

### Jamaica

Three weeks ago, at Bowie, Promised Land put it on Mister Jive by a length in the Governor's Gold Cup and was pulling away at the end of the seven furlongs.

But in the mile and a sixteenth of Jamaica's \$30,450 Gotham Stakes, the rock 'n' roll colt, owned by John L. Applebaum and ridden by another Canadian, Hedley Woodhouse, turned the tables. And decisively.

Mister Jive, within striking distance of the leaders down the backstretch, rallied on the outside on the turn and in the home lane. He got to the front in late stretch, then drew clear under mild hand urging.

Promised Land, under Harold Keene, wasn't in contention until the stretch. Then, the Mrs. Ethel D. Jacobs colt closed full of run, but at the wire was two lengths behind the coasting leader.

Clem, from the barn of Adele L. Rand, turned in an even effort in finishing third, a shade more than two lengths farther back, with Bohemia Stable's Ambushing, 8-5 choice with the throng of 41,584, winding up sixth after racing wide part of the trip.

In winning for the first time this year and raising his total earnings to \$81,800, the appropriately-named son of Mr. Music and Joy Forever probably earned himself a trip to Louisville for the Kentucky Derby.

His time of 1.45 3-5 wasn't particularly fast, but his manner of victory was convincing. He paid \$18.90 straight.

The victory for Woodhouse, his third of the program, was his second in a stakes race in four days.

Earlier in the week, he gunned I Offbeat to the front at the break and the Brookfield Farms filly was never châl-

lenged in reporting eight lengths in front in the tenth running of the \$20,000 added Prioresse Stakes.

After covering the six furlongs in 1.12 over a "good track," I Offbeat returned a \$10,50 mutuel. H. A. Jones' Therapy was next under the wire, with H. H. Polk's Mlle. Dianne third and Adele Rutchick's Miss Blue Jay, the choice, fourth.

I Offbeat earned a check of \$16,250 of a gross purse of \$23,500.

### Laurel

The \$10,000 added Chesapeake Trial failed to attract any three-year-olds with serious Kentucky Derby aspirations, but it produced a rousing duel between Howell E. Jackson's Four Fathoms and Mrs. John Maloney's Soft Day the entire six furlongs.

Joe Culmone got Four Fathoms, making his first appearance of the year, to the front a few strides from the start. Soft Day joined him late along the backstretch and the two hooked up in a head-and-head struggle that wasn't resolved until the photo finish picture showed the Jackson colt in front by a nose.

But before collecting at the rate of \$10 for \$2, Four Fathom's backers had to sweat out a claim of foul lodged by Nick Shuk, aboard the runner-up. Shuk complained to the stewards that Four Fathoms interfered with Soft Day leaving the backstretch, an incident, if it was such, which the 20,252 customers didn't see and the movies of

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the race didn't record.

Pro Brandy, after tossing his rider during the warm-up period, finished third, beaten three and a half lengths, and Mrs. Walter M. Jeffords' Bakht, the solid 6-5 choice, brought up the rear.

Handled by Tony DeSpirito, bidding farewell to racing for many months because of a dislocated vertebra, Bakht was slow to reach true stride, then was blocked twice while attempting to reach contention.

Four Fathoms, who earned \$7,780, covered the six panels in 1.11 3-5.

#### Gulfstream Park

To most of the 17,237 fans in attendance, Federal Hill's credentials in the \$25,000 Biscayne Bay Handicap were gilt edge. Hadn't the colt recently set a world six and a half furlong record of 1.15 and hadn't he been beaten by less than five lengths while Gen. Duke was equaling the world mile and an eighth standard in the Florida Derby?

The fans backed Federal Hill down to 3-10 in the mile and a sixteenth Biscayne.

And they made a mistake.

Federal Hill led most of the trip, but gave way readily when looked in the eye in late stretch by A. F. Wall's La Verite, handled by apprentice Harrel Bolin.

La Verite, paying \$55.40, pulled away through the closing stages to register by a length and a quarter. J. S. Kelly's We Trust also appeared ready to pass Federal Hill, but hung and had to settle for third money, three-parts of a length behind the favorite.

Winner of a piddling \$7,040 in a baker's dozen previous starts, La Verite earned \$15,000 in the Biscayne.

Gulfstream was the site of still another world-equalling mark when J. L. McKnight's Bolero U. covered four and a half furlongs in .51 4/5 in copping the Juvenile Stakes.

Under John Choquette, Bolero U. slipped under the wire five lengths in front of Park Deere Stable's Now Admiral, with H. Kopin's Honey Wolf a length and a half farther back.

Bolero U. dashed into a commanding lead down the backstretch and never gave his rivals a chance.

A chestnut son of Bolero, from Big Lu, by Chaledon, the Juvenile winner has now won three of his half dozen starts, with nary an out-of-the-money finish. A \$3.60 for \$2 shot, he picked up \$10,325 in the dash.



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##### Short Takes of Late Stakes

Holandes II, Argentine-bred distance star, breezed to an easy one and three-quarter length victory in the \$15,000 Robert O'Brien Memorial Handicap at Bay Meadows, Ridden by Ismael Valenzuela and carrying top weight of 122 pounds, Holandes II went the mile and a sixteenth in 1.42. Coupled in the betting with Eugenio, he paid \$3.60. Windsor Serial finished second and the fast -closing Count Chic was third.

Wing Again, Lou Adams up, rallied in the stretch to score a four-length triumph in the \$5,000 New Haven Purse before a crowd of 22,428 at Lincoln Downs. Challefont finished second in the field of nine three-year-olds, a neck before Seven O'-Hearts.

Bandit, a Derby nominee, whipped up the second fastest six furlongs in Keeneland history in defeating older horses in the Phoenix Handicap.

With Steve Brooks up, Bandit, only three-year-old in the field, staved off the late stretch bid of Sea O' Erin to win by three-quarters of a length in 1.09 3/5, just two-fifths of a tick off the trackmark set by Swoon's Son last October. Bernburgoo was third.

The 105th running of the Phoenix, America's oldest stakes race, was worth \$12,250, with Claiborne Farm netting \$7,712.50 through Bandit's victory.



**1957  
Foals**

#### Virginia

Castle Tower, by Case Ace: b.c., by Be Fleet (Feb.). Booked to War Admiral, Mr. & Mrs. K. Edwards Fenton Farm, Warrenton, Va.  
Perfect Melody, by Sir Damion: b.c., by \*Miche (Feb.). Booked to \*Royal Serenade, Mr. & Mrs. K. Edwards.  
\*Sylvia, by Meridian: b.f. by Wild Risk (Feb.). Booked to \*King's Evidence, Kilmaurs Stud, Warrenton, Va.  
\*Nephie, by Tourbillion: ch.c. by Gallador (Feb.). Booked to \*Double Eclipse, Kilmaurs Stud, Warrenton, Va.

#### Kentucky

\*Adversaria, by Albaces: c. (March 5) by Sub Fleet. Mereworth Farm, Lexington, Ky.  
Arose, by Ariel: f. (March 5) by Royal Coinage. Annex Farm, Lexington, Ky. Owner, Clearwater Farm. Booked to Royal Coinage.  
\*Beau Triomphe, by \*Royal Charger: f. (Feb. 13) by Beau Sabreur. Claiborne Farm, Paris, Ky. Owner, Murcain-Byars Stable. Booked to Count Fleet.  
Belleoseur, by Beau Pere: c. (March 9) by Helioscope. Sherwood Farm, Lexington, Ky. Owner, Larry S. MacPhail.  
Bisonette, by High Time: c. (March 6) by Invigorator. Mereworth Farm, Lexington, Ky.  
Countess Wise, by Wise Counselor: c. (March 8) by \*Royal Gem II. Elmendorf Farm, Lexington, Ky. Booked to \*Alibhai.  
Earshot, by Petrose: c. (Feb. 24) by \*Nirgal. Almhurst Farm, Lexington, Ky. Owner, Hugh A. Grant.  
Honey's Gal, by Eight Thirty: c. (March 7) by Citation. Mereworth Farm, Lexington, Ky.  
Hot Stuff, by Burgoo King: f. (Feb. 15) by Quick Reward. Buck Run Farm, Versailles, Ky. Booked to Ky. Colonel.  
Lady Lark, by Blue Larkspur: c. (March 1) by Sunglow. Mereworth Farm, Lexington, Ky.  
\*Monsoon, by Umidwar: f. (March 1) by Hasty Road. Crown Crest Farm, Lexington, Ky.

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## Middleburg Hunt Race Meeting

Chris Wood Jr.

Displaying the heart and ability which carried him to victories in the Sandhills Cup at Southern Pines, N. C., and the Carolina Cup at Camden, S. C., Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh, Jr.'s Dancing Beacon ran his skein to three in winning the 33rd running of the Middleburg Hunt Cup on Saturday, April 13. Highlighting a 6-race program, the first of 2 sponsored by the Middleburg Hunt Race Association, the 3-mile test over 14 timber fences carried a \$1,000 purse by virtue of a \$500 assist from the United Hunts Racing Association.

Although wintry winds blasted the hill-side of Middleburg's Glenwood Bowl, some 2,500 spectators watched the 9-year-old gelding withstand a closing drive from Albert H. Smith's Grand Chal to win by a length. Randolph Rouse's Ricacho, pacesetter for most of the journey, finished 3rd in the race which was run over soft turf in 5:22.

Away 1st in the short run to the initial fence, Ricacho was over in front with Grand Chal and Dancing Beacon in close attendance. Squeezed between horses in the field of 7 over this obstacle, Eugene Weymouth was popped from Mrs. Amory S. Carhart's Drifting Wood. Although the rider from Middletown, Del., had both legs over the left side of his saddle, he somehow managed to regain his seat. In performing this bit of saddle artistry, Weymouth loosened his equipment badly and pulled his mount up later in the race while out of contention.

Having gained a slight advantage over the 1st fence Ricacho, under A. P. "Paddy" Smithwick, carried the mail for 12 fences with Grand Chal and Dancing Beacon following as named. Approaching the 12th, Grand Chal faltered a bit, permitting Dancing Beacon to sail over the jump off Ricacho's flanks. The latter tired after this and this year's undefeated cross-country horse went into the lead. Over the final obstacle, Dancing Beacon led by 1 1/2 lengths with Ricacho just a 1/2 length to the good of Grand Chal. Under a hand ride from Melvin Ferral in the run for the wire, Dancing Beacon just lasted to score by a length over the recent winner of the Deep Run Hunt Cup with Joseph Aitcheson, Jr., in the saddle. Tiring in the final stages, Ricacho had sufficient yardage to finish 3rd, 3 lengths in front of Mrs. Fulmor Miller's Kilmarnock, with her son Bruce Miller up. Mrs. G. S. McIntosh's Sonabo finished 5th, a length in back of Kilmarnock, with Dr. E. P. Taylor's Royal Craft completing the finishing field, a distanced horse.

Dismounting as soon as possible after the victory, Melvin Ferral led Dancing Beacon back to the winner's circle with the Thoroughbred limping in his left foreleg. Trainer W. Burling Cocks hoped that it would prove no more than a twisted ankle as the 'chaser was led to the barn. By Star Beacon-Dancing Patsy, the triple

winner was bred by George P. Greenhalgh, Sr., at the adjacent Springsbury Farm in Berryville and was used for two seasons with the Blue Ridge Hunt as Field Master's horse by his present owner. The breeder was on hand to see him put up a gallant winning performance.

### Double For Cocks

Having saddled Mrs. Vernon G. Cardy's \*Square Dance 2nd to win the Three Oaks, a turf sprint held earlier on the program, Cocks registered a double with Dancing Beacon's victory. Finishing 2nd to John Schiff's \*Muguet 2nd in his seasonal debut at Camden, S. C., the winner of last year's Triumph Hurdle at Sandown, England, came from 3rd in the field of 8 in the short race to win by a length over Mrs. H. T. McKnight's \*Narcissus 2nd, under Paddy Smithwick. Mrs. Fay Ingall's home-bred, Dora's Fiddle, finished 3rd. The officially posted time of 1:06 2/5 drew comment from the gathering and the "grandstand judges" agreed that the "about" 6-furlong distance was incorrect or the timer was wrong.

By virtue of a disqualification, Mrs. A. J. Smithwick's Crag, winner of last year's United Hunts Racing Association's brush division award, captured the William Skinner Memorial, a 2-mile test over 11 brush jumps. Going to the front at the start, Brookneade Stable's Kabyle set the pace with Mrs. George L. Ohrstrom's \*Prince Glorieux at his throat -latch. The pair ran in front as a team until Kabyle came down over the 10th jump, sending the Irish jockey William Dee to the hospital with a fractured collar-bone. Following this mishap, \*Prince Glorieux, under apprentice William Mason, coasted under the wire 15-lengths in front of Crag.

A report from the patrol judges revealed a cut beacon by \*Prince Glorieux and The Widgel, the latter rectified his error, but the first horse home failed to do so and was disqualified. Making his first start of the season, Crag was awarded the race and the lion's share of the \$750 purse. The Bellevue Farm's Ares was moved into 2nd position with Wm. M. Duryea's Amik receiving the show award. The victory marked the 1st over obstacles this season for Paddy Smithwick, last year's leading steeplechase rider.

### Triple For Watters

Training most of his large public stable over the new Middleburg training center, Sidney Watters, Jr., saddled a trio of winners for the day and his contract rider, James Murphy, put up excellent rides to halve the 6-race program. On hand for the day of sport, M. F. H. Frederic H. Bontecou of Millbrook, N. Y., watched his \*Prince du Houlme depart from the maiden hurler ranks in the Glenwood, a 1 1/2 mile race over 6 hurdles which opened the card. Hardly had the congratulations ceased, when his \*Flighty Eye's scored a 5-length triumph in the Panther Skin, an allowance race at 1 3/4 miles over 7 hurdles.

Meeting a field of 12 in the opening number, \*Prince du Houlme closed well in the final stages to turn back the Sanford Stud Farm's promising Niagara by 4 lengths. Also closing well, the latter just managed to hold the place safe, a neck in front of Major General Richard K. Mellon's home-bred, Jackdow, also trained by Watters. A 5-year-old French-bred gelding, \*Prince du Houlme negotiated the route in 2:45 4/5.

Only 5 accepted the issue for the featured hurdle event and Mrs. Vernon G. Cardy's Rebel Coat was first away from the tape with Miss Mary Rumsey's Tall

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## My Lady's Manor Point-to-Point

Snowden Carter

\*Doll Ram, owned by Benjamin H. Griswold 3d and ridden by his 16-year-old son Benjamin H. Griswold 4th, won the 47th running of the three-mile My Lady's Manor point-to-point near Monkton, Md., in record-shattering time on April 13. Taking a full eight seconds off the record of 6.14 1/5 set by Land's Corner three years ago, \*Doll Ram scored by five lengths over George Ohrstrom Jr.'s \*Fast. The latter, ridden by Philip F. N. Fanning, was going head and head with the winner at the next to last fence when he bobbed badly, throwing Fanning far up on his neck.

Although this near-spill cost \*Fast his chance of catching the winner, he was still so much the best of the others that he gained the runner-up position by twelve lengths over Christopher M. Greer's \*Rayquick, ridden by Benjamin H. Murray. Only other finisher in the 16-fence timber race was Hugh O'Donovan's \*Lancrel, winner of the My Lady's Manor and Maryland Hunt Cup last year. \*Lancrel, ridden by Frank A. Bonsal, Jr., was the prerace choice in the My Lady's Manor but after racing in a forward position for the first twelve fences, he tired badly and was beaten a total of 32 lengths. Mrs. Louis Neilson Jr.'s Coke Hi completed the small field, but he fell at the tenth fence while trailing the field. Ridden by

Louis Neilson 3d, son of the owner, Coke Hi seemed likely to profit from the education.

### Bred in Co. Mayo

\*Doll Ram, an Irish gelding imported to this country five years ago, was bred for flat racing but lacked the necessary speed at the running tracks. After his trainers had despaired of him as a runner, \*Doll Ram was sold to Mr. Griswold as a prospective hunter. His rise in the timber racing world has been meteoric. He made his first start in an informal race last year, winning the Green Spring Valley Hunt Club's Old Fashioned Point-to-Point with young Benjie Griswold in the saddle.

The 8-year-old gelding, bred in County Mayo, made his second appearance on April 6 of this year in the S. Lurman Stewart Memorial point-to-point at the Elkridge-Harford Hunt Club meeting. Again he won and again Benjie Griswold was the rider. His first start under racing colors in a timber race was the My Lady's Manor, and his performance was electric. Taking the lead before the third fence, he at times held as much as a 12-length advantage over his closest contender. He skimmed his two final fences in breath-taking style, seeming to tire quite noticeably from his extremely rapid early pace. A less daring rider would have checked him but Benjie Griswold seemingly knew no fear.

After the time of 6.06 1/5 had been hung up, Griswold, pere, was overwhelmed. The horse, which had made only one poor jump (the ninth), was clearly the brightest of the new timber prospects in Maryland. "We'll rest him next week," said Griswold, "passing up the Grand National. I'll let Benjie ride Infraction in that race, and then he can have his pick of the two for the Maryland Hunt Cup."

### Streett Memorial

Companion feature on the two-race program witnessed by a crowd of 2,500 fans was the John Rush Streett Memorial which was having its 33d running. This race, run over the same course as the My Lady's Manor, is restricted to horses which have never won two races over timber. Five horses started in the three-mile test and five finished with victory going to H. Robertson Fenwick's \*Coit under the brilliant ride of Frank A. Bonsal, Jr.

Beaten by a neck in the driving finish was Lewis C. Ledyard's Jinxed Star, with Benjamin H. Murray up. Mrs. Henry Obre's \*Coup de Vite was third, 18 lengths behind the runner-up and a length in front of Mrs. Thomas Nichols' Starboard. The fifth finisher was John K. Devereux's

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Major Grace, \*Coit, timed in 6.23, was three lengths behind the pace-setting Jinxed Star at the last fence, but he closed gallantly on the final flat run and was shrewdly handled by his 20-year-old rider, a Princeton undergraduate, who took him to the inside for the stretch run. The finish was so close that Laddie Murray, rider of Jinxed Star, yelled up to the placing judges upon returning to the unsaddling point, asking who had won.

### SUMMARIES:

The My Lady's Manor, (timber steeplechase), abt. 3 mi., 4 & up. Purse: Trophy. Winner: b.g., 8, by Ramtapa-Irish Doll, by Templeyon. Trainer: B. H. Griswold III. Breeder: T. Donnelly, Ire. Time: 6.06 1/5.

1. \*Doll Ram, (B. H. Griswold, Jr.), 165, B. H. Griswold, IV.
2. \*Fast, (G. L. Ohrstrom, Jr.), 165, P. Fanning.
3. \*Rayquick, (C. M. Greer), 165, B. H. Murray.

5 started and 4 finished; also ran (order of finish): H. O'Donovan's \*Lancrel, 165, F. Bonsal, Jr. Fell: at 10th, Mrs. L. Neilson Jr.'s Coke Hi, 155, L. Neilson III. Won by 5; place by 12; show by 15. Scratched: Starboard, Gold Tar, \*Coup de Vite.

The John Rush Streett Memorial, (allowance timber steeplechase), abt. 3 mi., 4 & up. Purse: Trophy. Winner: b.g., 8, by Tartan-Kilscobin, by Knight of Kilcash. Trainer: H. R. Fenwick. Breeder: D. Heney, Ire. Time: 6.23.

1. \*Coit, (H. R. Fenwick), 163, F. Bonsal, Jr.
2. Jinxed Star, (L. C. Ledyard), 163, B. H. Murray.
3. \*Coup de Vite, (Mrs. H. Obre), 150, J. Hruska.

5 started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. T. S. Nichols' Starboard, 155, S. Lott; J. K. Devereux's Major Grace, 150, J. Devereux. Won by neck; place by 18; show by 1. Scratched: Coke Hi, Infraction, \*Doll Tar.

## DELAWARE PARK

Donald P. Ross was re-elected president of the Delaware Steeplechase and Race Association at the organization meeting of the board of directors, immediately following the annual meeting of stockholders of the association. Other officers re-elected were Bryan Field, vice-president and general manager; Lewis S. Munson, Jr., treasurer, and Bernard H. Wood, secretary and assistant treasurer. In addition, two new officers were elected: Helen E. Stairwalt was named assistant secretary, and John W. Rooney, assistant treasurer.

The stockholders re-elected the following 20 directors: James A. Bayard, Alfred E. Bissell, J. Simpson Dean, Frank M. Donohue, Henry E. duPont, William duPont, Jr., Mr. Field, Allison F. Fleitas, Walter M. Jeffords, James L. Latchum, Harry W. Lunger, J. H. Tyler McConnell, Mr. Munson, William S. Potter, Mr. Ross, Harold S. Schutt, Bayard Sharp, Benjamin F. Shaw II, J. Reese White and Ralph C. Wilson.

## BRITISH HORSE SHORTAGE

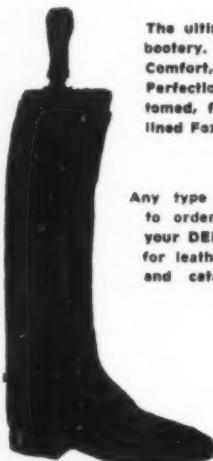
In discussing the present shortage of horses in Britain in a recent issue of "Country Life", R. S. Summerhays points out that there are now over 800 riding schools in Britain and over 75 riding clubs affiliated with the British Horse Society. The British Show Jumping Association has over 2,500 members actively engaged in showing. The membership of the British Pony Club is over 22,000.

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# News from the STUDS



## VIRGINIA

### VA. YEARLING TOUR

The Virginia Thoroughbred Association is organizing a tour of the yearlings to be sold next summer at Saratoga by the Fasig-Tipton Company. It will be a two-day affair on June 22nd and 23rd. The Association recently assembled a number of the Saratoga Sales consignors for luncheon at Warrenton to make plans for the occasion. Included were Dr. Frank O'Keefe; Melville Church III; Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh Sr.; Mrs. Edward Stephenson

of the Kilmaurs Stud and manager Andrew Bartenstein; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carpenter, he the manager of the Nydrie Stud; Bill Ballenger, manager of Brookmeade; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Edwards; George Clarke; and Humphrey S. Finney, president, and Ralph Rettler of the Fasig-Tipton Company. Those invited to take part in the tour will be the guests of the consignors and of the Fasig-Tipton Company. It will begin in Washington on Saturday morning, June 22nd, where a bus will meet the guests. During the morning the yearlings of James L. Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Hardin and Kentmere Farm will be inspected. In the afternoon the travelers will visit the Springsbury Farm of Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh, Mrs. Dodge Sloane's Brookmeade Farm and Mrs. George Harrison's Blue Ridge Farm. On the second

day, in the Warrenton area, the tourists will see the yearlings at Dr. Frank O'Keefe's Pine Brook Farm, Edward Stephenson's Kilmaurs Stud, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Edwards' Fenton Farm and Mr. and Mrs. Melville Church's North Cliff Farm. During the afternoon they will proceed to Charlottesville where they will see Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Van Cleave's Nydrie Stud, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Stone's Morven Stud and Mrs. C. McGhee Baxter's The Barracks Farm. The Virginia consignment to Saratoga this year will be perhaps the strongest ever offered.

## FROM ABROAD

### SON OF \*MY BABU

#### WINS LINCOLNSHIRE

Winner of the Lincolnshire Handicap, first important stake of the English turf season, on March 27th, was Captain Riley Lord's Babur (\*My Babu-Reseda, by Cameronian) ridden by Eddie Hide and trained by Captain Charles Elsey.

#### ITALY'S 2 OUT OF 4

Of the four leading sires of 1956 in England, two were bred in Italy - Tenerani and Nearco.



Montpelier's HELLANICUS (#4) was the winner of the Baron de Kalb Hurdles; SEA CHART (#1) a stablemate finished 4th. (Freudy Photo)

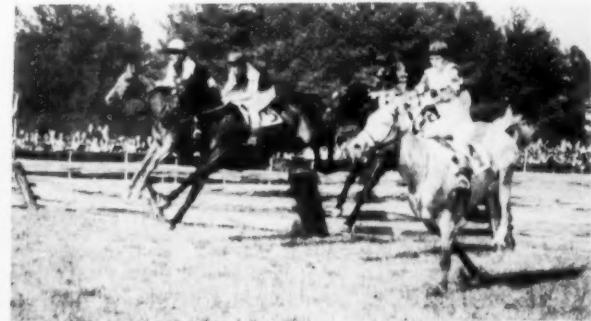


Mrs. Marion duPont Scott, owner of Montpelier received the Springdale Cup from Mr. F. Ambrose Clark, R. G. Wolfe who trained the winner MANCUS, looks on. (Emerson Humphrey)



CAROLINA CUP PRESENTATION - (L. to r.): W. B. Cocks, trainer; jockey Mel Ferral; Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh, Jr., owner of DANCING BEACON, the winner; and Harry D. Kirkover, founder and chairman of the Springdale Races.

(Emerson Humphrey Photo)



Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh's DANCING BEACON (#5), winner of the Carolina Cup taking one of the jumps. The grey is Saxon Wood Farm's NAVY TALK, (#4) which finished 3rd. (Freudy Photo)

# The Clubhouse Turn



## SILBERMAN OUT

The Florida State Racing Commission on April 4th voted unanimously to revoke the license of Saul Silberman to operate Tropical Park racetrack at Coral Gables. On the same day a majority of the directors of the Thoroughbred Racing Association unanimously voted to suspend Tropical Park from membership in the TRA.

## RAPID TURNOVER

Columnist Charles Hatton writes: "Perhaps the most coveted, and not the least desirable, plater active at Bowie is the 4-year-old Swashbuckler colt Gay Star. He began the meeting by winning for \$2,500, and again for \$3,500 when he was claimed by Mrs. M. K. D'Angelo. He then won for \$4,500 and was claimed by Willie Zakoor. Then Gay Star ran and won for \$7,500 and was reclaimed by Mrs. D'Angelo."

## SANTA ANITA TURF

Columnist Oscar Otis quotes Rae Johnstone, the great European jockey, as follows on the subject of Santa Anita turf racing: "Santa Anita's grass course is an excellent one for a European horse, with some exceptions, for while it is quite suitable for the quick, shifty foreign horse, it doesn't offer quite the same appeal as do what we in France call 'galloping courses'. In other words, there is no long run on a straight-away to the finish, but I will say this for the course, the turns are engineered to perfection and even the galloping type of horse seems to be able to get around them without much changing of stride. As a matter of fact, I've noticed that horses tend to run out less on the turns over the grass course than is the case on Santa Anita's regular dirt track. I am sure the film patrol pictures will bear out this contention".

## EL KHOBAR TO U.S.

Woolf Fisher, owner and breeder of El Khar, said to be the greatest sprinter to race in Australia in the past two decades, is shipping the horse to Los Angeles where he will arrive about April 22nd on the Matson liner Ventura. He is said to have recently worked three furlongs in .34 on the grass at the Ellerslie Track. Max Hirsch is to train the horse in this country.

## STAKES OPPORTUNITIES

In an article in the Thoroughbred Record, correspondent Frank Talmadge Phelps estimates that \$13,654,759 was distributed in stakes races on the flat in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Cuba during 1956. He points out that the grass course stakes are the highest, 36 such events having an average purse of \$31,667. The next highest group is for distance races for 4-year-olds and up, the 21 mare and filly races averaging \$30,976 and the 154 open races averaging \$25,304. The open races for 3-year-olds come fourth with an average of \$23,826 for 124 races.

## THE CHRONICLE

### GERARD SMITH HAS IRISH WINNER

American Jockey Club member Mr. Gerard S. Smith of Connecticut, had his first racing success in Ireland on March 21, when his horse Phantasmagoria carried his colors to victory in the Carrick Handicap Steeplechase at Powerstown Park Racecourse, Clonmel.

The horse had won a Novice Steeplechase earlier this season for his previous owner, Mr. Cyril Harty, Jr., who still trains him, but it was his first outing for his new owner. Mr. Harty is a son of Captain Cyril Harty who made show-jumping history in the early days of the Irish Army Jumping Team. S. L.

## WAGERING ON JUMPERS

Amory L. Haskell, president of United Hunts, points out that the total wagering on jumpers increased 15 per cent during 1956 as compared with 1955. The public is becoming increasingly aware that the favorites in jumping races win more frequently than those on the flat. In 1956, 47 per cent of the favorites in jumping races won as compared with about 37 per cent of the favorites in flat races.

## SIR WILLIAM INJURED

Sir William, the 3-year-old bred and owned by wheat farmer Herb Armstrong of the State of Washington and winner of the \$100,000 Santa Anita Derby, fractured a sesamoid in the course of a \$4,000 overnight feature at Bay Meadows. Veterinarians believe that the colt can be saved, but are as yet uncertain as to whether he will ever race again.

## CALIFORNIA BETTORS

For the protection of the betting public the California Horse Racing Board provided that if there are 5 or more interests in a race the track must allow win, place, and show betting; if 4 betting interests start the track must provide win and place betting; and only if as few as 3 interests start may the track limit the public to win betting.



IROQUOIS POINT-TO-POINT - The first jump, owner-rider Howard Tilson on WHITE SOX leading L. M. Prince, on SUGAR HILL in the heavyweight race. Sugar Hill was the winner with White Sox 3rd. (Harriet Hatchell Photo)



Misses Nonnie Steer and Ruth Harrison of the Camargo Hunt Club, Cincinnati, receiving the Iroquois Hunt and Elmen-dorf Trophies after winning the hunter pace event. (Paul C. Daniel Photo)

# HUNTING

## Green Spring Old Fashioned Pt.-to-Pt.

Joan McHenry

On Saturday, March 30th, twelve hunting members of the Green Spring and Elkridge-Harford Hunt Clubs collected on the property of Mr. McLane Fisher for the annual running of the Green Spring Valley Hunt Club's Old Fashioned Point-to-Point. Mrs. H. Robertson Fenwick, wife of the Green Spring Hounds' M. F. H. and first to cross the finish line in Mr. "Downey" Bonsal's pasture, won the race for the second time in three years on her veteran hunter, Fluctuate. Dr. John D. Gadd, well-known Maryland veterinarian, came in a close second on his Elgatnit. Both received cups as the first lady and first gentleman from Mrs. C. A. Porter Hopkins atop the traditional farm wagon.

The rest of the field finished in the following order: third - Mr. Tiger Bennett on his Pojebo; fourth - Mrs. Charles Fenwick on her Indian Brave; fifth - Mr. Redmond Stewart on his Durolator; sixth - Miss Josie Barroll on her New Horizon; seventh - Miss Joan McHenry on her Optimiss; eighth - Mr. Jackie Griswold on Mr. Benjamin H. Griswold's Old Fashioned (appropriately named); ninth - Mr. Stewart S. Janney on his Country Boy; tenth - Mr. Cooper Walker on his Reaping Pan; eleventh - Mr. James Howard on his The Fox. The only person to meet misfortune was Mr. David McIntosh riding his own Wood Nymph.

Traditionally, just as the term "steeplechase" comes from the days when the church steeple was the point aimed for in a sprint after a dull hunt, since it was the only thing visible in the late evening, so the term "point-to-point" means that the riders race from one point to another. Our Old Fashioned is still done in that way. This year, the starting line and the finish line were the only point designated. In between it was every man for himself to go as he chose. For two weeks beforehand, individuals were seen walking the hillsides and valleys, but no hint was let out as to proposed courses. Amateur riders of any age belonging to any recognized hunt could enter. The weather was delightful, the footing excellent, and, with a straight line, the pace was fast. Time: 4 1/2 miles in eleven minutes. Tiger Bennett was heard to exclaim at the finish, "I thought this was supposed to be a nice hunting pace; that was faster than many a race I have been in! And great sport!"

The course left three alternatives, these being: 1. to go down the valley along the Western Run stream, a longer but flatter course which nobody took in the end; 2. to go straight through a small woods and over the ridge; 3. to bear left immediately at the beginning, go through the woods, and then straight. All courses more or less converged at the Falls Rd., and finished with a thrilling drive down the lovely and flat Western Run Valley. Of course, there were many small but crucial decisions to make along the way.

The field split up immediately at the start. Mrs. Fenwick, Dr. Gadd, and Mr. Janney led when the field converged at Falls Rd. Here, Mr. Janney, Miss Barroll, and Miss McHenry, not having noticed that wire was down on the left, swung to the right, and were two fields behind when they rejoined the field in the valley. Meanwhile, Mrs. Fenwick and Dr. Gadd had pulled far ahead, the latter challenging her strongly but then falling back through the last two fields. Tiger Bennett, who hadn't been able to walk the course, followed them. Mr. Walker found he had swung too far south; Mr. Howard found he had picked the wrong place to cross a stream. And so mistakes were made, horses tired, and the field strung out. But all enjoyed the exhilaration that comes from such a gallop. In this type of race, all aspects of hunting, including knowledge of the country, control of one's horse, and an idea of pace are vital factors and make this a truly sporting and fun event.

From the spectators point of view, the weather was delightful, but the fact that

the course was a straight line, and back from the roads meant that each had to pick one vantage point from which to see a part of the race. A few waited to see the start, and then, staging a minor race of their own among the car field, tore for the finish line. Here, the crowd dotted the hills from which they might see the last drive up the valley. Apparently Mr. Howard was the first to heave into view along a distant rise, and was cheered as the winner. Minutes later it was realized that the leaders had been hidden in the bottom. When the excitement was over, all retired to a delightful tea at the club, for refreshment and, discussions as to "where I should have gone."



### POINT-TO-POINTS & HUNTER TRIALS

The point-to-point season is now well into its stride. It began with the fixture of the Dungarvan Harriers on January 30 and will continue until the Kilmoganny Harriers bring it to a close on May 6. There are 71 fixtures listed. The advent of the Thoroughbred type of horse into the hunting-field has robbed the point-to-point of much of its original character, which was mainly a test for the genuine hunting horse. Today, the point-to-point is run at such a pace that the average honest hunter hasn't a ghost of a chance against highly trained and often over-pampered Thoroughbreds.

But he comes into his own at Hunter Trials. These began this season on March 13 when the Ballymacad Foxhounds had a big entry for the three events (Children's, Inter-Hunt Teams, and Individual) at Loughcrew, Oldcastle, Co. Meath. On March 18 South County Dublin Harriers set up an Irish record with 222 entries for their Hunter Trials at Merville, Stilorgan, Dublin. Many other packs have held successful fixtures, all culminating in the Irish Olympic Horse Trials and Hunter Trials Championships at Castle-town on April 5 & 6.

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## The National Hunt Season In Britain

Peter Towers-Clark

By tradition, the British National Hunt season opens early in August during the holiday week-end and terminates on Whit Monday. This year Whitsun does not fall until well into June, so the tailend of the jumpers will still be in action after the Derby has been run, when they will no doubt be asked to gallop three miles and jump nearly twenty fences on going like the proverbial high-way. Then two months rest and off they go again. What a life!

There has been a tremendous upsurge of interest in 'chasing since the war, and every year sport under these rules increases in popularity, the number of runners goes up, and attendance figures grow.

The present season has been no exception, despite the introduction of petrol

rationing which the "Jonahs" forecast would "kill jumping". In fact, for some remarkable reason, exactly the opposite seems to have been the case, for many fixtures have recorded not only a record attendance, but a record number of cars - all of which is somehow typically British! No longer is National Hunt racing the "Cinderella" of the flat, though its prizes are in no way comparable with those offered under Jockey Club Rules. At many of the minor meetings, it is in no way unusual to find a hundred or more horses entered at 2 pounds each, with a further 2 pounds to run, for a two mile hurdle race worth 204 pounds.

The whole strength of jumping springs from its structure, which allows the owner-trainer and the small man with just



ROSE PARK (M. Scudamore up) winning the King George VI Steeplechase at Kempton Park. (Sport & General Photo)



LINWELL, winner of the Cheltenham Gold Cup, leads Kerstin over the last fence. LINWELL is owned by Mr. David Brown, and was ridden by M. Scudamore. (Sport & General Photo)

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a few horses to compete on equal terms with the big trainers - often with remarkable success. As for attendance, the immense post-war popularity of show-jumping and point-to-pointing has drawn in a new public which has graduated to National Hunt courses because it finds that jumping provides the thrills and spills that they like.

In short, "the bad old days" are over, and now a new incentive has been added to the season by the introduction in April of the Whitbread Gold Cup, worth in all some 6,000 pounds in prize money given by the firm that brews ale of that name. To be run at Sandown Park over nearly 3-3/4 miles, the race has attracted no less than 138 entries, which is a record for steeplechasing in Britain. Even if only one quarter of them reach the start, what a race it is going to be!

Racing in the winter is always a precarious prospect in Britain owing to the number of days that have to be abandoned through frost and snow, but this year we have been extremely lucky in that respect, though the incessant rain left the going very heavy for the greater part of the winter.

#### BY \*ROYAL CHARGER

The first big money event was the Grand Sefton Chase over nearly three miles of the Grand National Course, run at the Liverpool November Meeting which consists of combined flat and jumping programmes on each of its three days. In a field of nine, success by four lengths went to Key Royal, a gigantic eight-year-old son of \*Royal Charger from a Bois Roussel mare. Though outpaced throughout, he had run reasonably well in the previous Grand National to finish fifth, and this victory ensured that he would be a well-fancied candidate for the big 'chase this year.

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## National Hunt Season

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Then on December 27th, after a one day's postponement because of snow, we were treated to the 3,000 pound added King George VI 'Chase over three miles at Kempton Park. Unfortunately the field dwindled down until only six horses faced the starter, three of them coming from Peter Cazalet's stable. In heavy going, Queen Elizabeth's Devon Loch, so desperately unlucky in last year's Grand National when falling fifty yards from the winning post, was made favourite, but it was to his stable companion and outsider of the whole field, Rose Park, that victory went.

Rose Park had always been considered a brilliant two miler, but few expected him to stay the three miles on going such as this and he started at 17-1. Ridden with fine opportunism by Michael Scudamore, however, who was having his first ride on him, Rose Park surprised us all by leading virtually throughout. Though tiring perceptably after the last fence, he had set up so commanding a lead that he still had two lengths to spare over Devon Loch at the post, and it was only a fall at the last fence but one by Lochroe that prevented Cazalet from training all three placed horses.

Rose Park is a fine big strapping chestnut son of the well-known jumping sire Pactolus. After winning a hurdle race in Ireland he was bought by his trainer on behalf of the joint-owners Mr. Guy Lawrence and Mr. R. Wilkins, who have had him ever since. This was the 18th success of his brilliant career.

The race was marred by the unfortunate fall at the last open ditch of twelve-year-old Galloway Braes, who broke a leg and had to be destroyed. Probably the most popular 'chaser of the post-war era, Lady Orde's gelding had won the King George VI 'Chase in 1954 and been placed second in it in the last two years. In addition, he had twice won the Queen Elizabeth 'Chase, the big event that closes the season - being the only horse ever to win these two events in the same season - and in all accounted for 19 races worth 13,476 pounds.

### FAMOUS AMATEUR

As a spectacle, few races compared with Sandown Park's Mildmay Memorial 'Chase run over 3-5/8 miles in January. Named after the most popular amateur ever to climb into the saddle who was so tragically drowned while bathing, the event was worth more than 2,000 pounds to the winner, in addition to a handsome trophy to the rider subscribed for by Lord Mildmay's racing friends.

Fourteen of the twenty runners held the Grand National engagement, which gave the race an added interest. In a thrilling finish between two Yorkshire horses, Mr. H. Draper's Much Obliged caught the grey Glorious Twelfth in the last few strides

to win by a neck. Much Obliged is trained by Neville Crump who has already won the Grand National with Sheila's Cottage and Teal; in addition to the winner he has the live prospect Goosander in the National this year. Here again the race was attended by misfortune, for after looking a winner two fences from home, Devon Loch had a recurrence of his old tendon trouble and was immediately scratched from all engagements.

Then came an impressive performance by the 1956 Grand National victor E.S.B. in taking the Great Yorkshire 'Chase of

2,118 pounds at Doncaster in February, though it must be admitted that his task was made all the easier by most of his formidable rivals falling down.

And so this last week, with spirits high, we set off to that Mecca of steeple-chasing Cheltenham, for three days of the National Hunt Meeting in weather which is more likely to be encountered at Ascot than in early March.

The premier hurdle event, the Champion Hurdle, was won by the 28-1 outsider Merry Deal, one of the only four horses

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## THE CHRONICLE

### National Hunt Season

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in the yard of his owner-trainer Arthur Jones. The 4-1/2 miles National Hunt 'Chase, known as "The Amateurs' Grand National" and worth 6,000 pounds, which is confined to horses that have never won a race under Rules up till the time of closing, went to the point-to-point horse Kari Sou, ridden by 22 year old Alan Lillingston in a thrilling finish by a head from Mr. Moralee on Copper Cable. Then the 4 mile Foxhunters' 'Chase, for horses fairly and regularly hunted, was won for the second year running by the almost white The Callant from Scotland, just about the most brilliant genuine hunter that has ever looked through a bridle, for prior to going into training he had had 27 days out in the hunting field.

But it is the Gold Cup that is the high-spot of the week. Run over 3-1/4 miles at level weights of 168 lbs., with its dour uphill finish, this is the race that is the Blue Riband of steeplechasing. With none of the first four of last year's field running, the race had a very open appearance. In a field of thirteen, Sir Percy Orde's Pointsman was made favourite, other strong fancies being the Grand National winner E.S.B., Sir Ken who won the Champion Hurdle three times, the mare Kerstin, and the 1955 victor Gay Donald who was thought to be fully recovered from his break-down last year. It was mainly on account of his last race, in which he had beaten Linwell by six lengths giving him 5 lbs., that Pointsman was so well fancied.

Ridden this time by young G. Nicholls, Rose Park set out to repeat the tactics that had been so successful in the King George VI 'Chase, and at half-way led from Gay Donald, E.S.B., Kerstin, Pointsman, Sir Ken (who fell shortly afterwards) and Lochroe, with Linwell near the rear of the main bunch. With three fences to go, it was clear that the race lay between the leading four who had drawn clear of the rest of the field, Rose Park, Kerstin, Linwell and Pointsman, but the first-named was already beginning to tire, and Pointsman was under the whip.

Going into the lead at the last bend, Michael Scudamore drove Linwell over the last fence in front, and then resisted a gallant challenge of the mare Kerstin by a length. Pointsman was almost down on the last, which enabled Rose Park to regain third place five lengths back.

Linwell was bred in Ireland and was bought privately for about 2,000 pounds from Paddy Quinn who also sold the famous Golden Miller, winner of five consecutive Gold Cups. A most courageous little horse who stands little over 16 hands, he is by the good sire of 'chasers Rosewell. Like Merry Deal, he comes from a small stable, and started at 11-1.

And so in two weeks time we shall all be at Liverpool for the Grand National, the flat season will have started and apart from the big Whitbread Gold Cup, the 'chasers will once again become the "country cousins" until next November.

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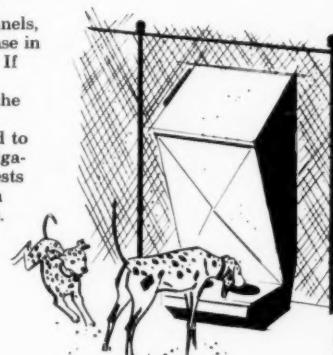
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### LAND-HO SCHOOLING

CORRESPONDENT: Toni Brewer.  
PLACE: Warrenton, Va.  
TIME: March 30.  
JUDGES: Christopher Wadsworth, J. North Fletcher.  
SUMMARIES:  
Model green hunters, 3-yr.-olds - 1. Hapgood, Mr. & Mrs. John S. Pettibone; 2. Peacock, Templeton Stables; 3. Lone Scholar, Mrs. C. M. Baxter; 4. Beau Brummel, F. M. Warburg.  
Model green hunters, 4-yr.-olds - 1. Garden of Eden, Mr. & Mrs. Grover Stephens; 2. Dragon Run, Miss Frances Newbill; 3. Scotch Pine, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Burke; 4. One More Time, L. Clay Camp.  
Green working hunters - 1. Rock, Mr. & Mrs. W. H.

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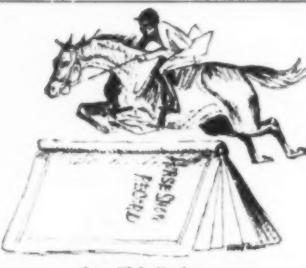
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## HORSE SHOWS

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Green conformation hunters - 1. Garden of Eden; 2. Haggard; 3. Peacock; 4. Scotch Pine.

Working hunters - 1. Harass; 2. Pine Top, L. Clay Camp; 3. Rule of Thumb, Miss Barbara Pease; 4. Night Arrest, Mrs. Harris Morris.

Conformation hunters - 1. Adopt Me, R. S. Reynolds, Jr.; 2. Pine Top; 3. Man Out, Jane Bryan; 4. Cravally, Allison Duffey.

Green open jumpers - 1. Entry, Capt. & Mrs. Chas. Maslin; 2. Merlin, Robert Burke; 3. Saworthy, Lucy Eddins; 4. Slick Chix, Chuck Ackerman.

Green conformation hunters - 1. One More Time; 2. Lone Scholar; 3. Haggard; 4. Peacock.

Green working hunters - 1. Bebe, North Hill Farm; 2. Night Arrest; 3. Fox Blow, Mrs. Simon T. Patterson; 4. Scotch Pine.

Working hunters - 1. Rule of Thumb; 2. Rock; 3. Al's Song, Mrs. Simon T. Patterson; 4. Man Out.

Conformation hunters - 1. Man Out; 2. Pine Top; 3. Cravally.

Green open jumpers - 1. Entry, Capt. & Mrs. Chas. Maslin; 2. Merlin, 3. Desert Fox, Tom Bunn; 4. Kurzon, Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Sweat.

Green working hunters - 1. Social Error, L. W. Richardson; 2. Night Arrest; 3. Scotch Pine; 4. Fox Blow.

Green conformation hunters - 1. Garden of Eden; 2. Lone Scholar; 3. Haggard; 4. Scotch Pine.

Conformation hunters - 1. Man Out; 2. Galloping Jack, Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Sweat; 3. Cravally; 4. Adopt Me, Mr. Richard S. Reynolds.

Working hunters - 1. Rule of Thumb; 2. Al's Song; 3. Pine Top; 4. Irish Fair, Miss Cynthia Stone.

Green open jumpers - 1. Kurzon, 2. Merlin; 3. Slick Chix; 4. Irish Fling, Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Sweat.

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CORRESPONDENT: Show Secy.

PLACE: Ashland, Virginia.

TIME: March 21.

JUDGES: Nick Saegmuller, Delmar Twyman.

JUMPER CH: Hurricane Edna, Jimmy Cantwell.

RES: Good News, M. A. Cirillo.

PONY CH: Storm Peak, Mountain Glen Farm.

RES: Gremlin's Delight, M. Kenneth Taylor.

GREEN WORKING CH: Social Error, L. W. Richardson.

RES: Mouse Martin, Mrs. Harry Martin.

REG. WORKING HUNTER CH: Silhouette, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Blair.

RES: Red Warning, Holly Miller.

## SUMMARIES:

Warm-up - 1. Golden Rule, Evelyn Droege; 2. Good News, M. A. Cirillo; 3. Hurricane Edna, Jimmy Cantwell; 4. Little John, Bobbie Cox.

Pony open hunters - 1. Storm Peak, Mountain Glen Farm; 2. Gremlin's Delight, M. Kenneth Taylor; 3. Pretty Boy, L. W. Richardson; 4. Autumn Leaves, Susan Lee.

Green working hunter hacks - 1. Social Error, L. W. Richardson; 2. Breezedwood, Gayle Rowe; 3. Forrest Star, L. M. Sharpe; 4. Harass, Mrs. Harry H. Morris.

Open working hunters - 1. Silhouette, Mr. & Mrs. C. F. Blair; 2. Harass; 3. Mouse Martin, Mrs. Harry Martin; 4. Joker, Jacqueline Garrett.

Knockdown & out - 1. Queen of Spades, Bobby Cox; 2. Hurricane Edna; 3. Little John; 4. Golden Rule. Green working hunters - 1. Social Error; 2. Mouse Martin; 3. Harass; 4. Mr. Sandman.

Pony working hunters - 1. Storm Peak; 2. Misty Morn, Mary Ann Ancell; 3. Blythe Spirit, Mountain Glen Farm; 4. Bab's Bright Light, Belvieu Pony Farm.

Handy working hunters - 1. Red Warning, Holly Miller; 2. Night Raider, C. F. Blair; 3. Silhouette; 4. Mr. Wonderful, Locust Bend Stables.

Touch & out - 1. Good News; 2. Hurricane Edna; 3. Little John; 4. Golden Rule.

Equitation - 1. Jimmy Cantwell; 2. Emily K. Bryan; 3. Dorie Gundlach; 4. Beth Gundlach; 5. Rodney Jenkins; 6. Patty Garrett.

Open working green hunters - 1. Night Raider; 2. Mouse Martin; 3. Social Error; 4. Night Arrest.

Ponies under saddle - 1. Silver Slippers, Fox Hollow Stables; 2. Gremlin's Delight; 3. Blythe Spirit; 4. Storm Peak.

Working hunter hack - 1. Mr. Wonderful; 2. Red Warning; 3. Silhouette; 4. Harass.

## ROSE TREE HUNTER TRIALS

CORRESPONDENT: Show Secy.

PLACE: Media, Pa.

TIME: March 18.

JUDGES: Joseph T. Murtagh, James G. Lamb, Sr., Mrs. Charles L. Harper, Robert Tindle, William Sterlings, Stephen Colando.

## SUMMARIES:

Mares, 3-yr-olds or over, suitable to produce hunters, Thoroughbred - 1. Miss Skipwith, J. R. Ferguson; half-bred - 1. Memorial Day, Fox Valley Farms.

Yearlings, Thoroughbred - 1. Unnamed (High Stepper-

dam by Hyperion), Rolling Plains Stable; other than Thoroughbred - 1. Safety Pins, Fox Valley Farm.

2-yr-olds, Thoroughbred - 1. Red Carpet, Mrs. Kenneth Winchell; other than Thoroughbred - 1. Sirgy, Mrs. Kenneth Winchell.

3-yr-olds, Thoroughbred - 1. Artic Morn, Walter Wickes, Jr.; other than Thoroughbred - 1. Yours Truly, Frances Glover.

Thoroughbred ch.(best individual of show)-1. Unnamed (High Stepper-dam by Hyperion), Rolling Plains Stable. Other than Thoroughbred championship - 1. Safety Pins, Fox Valley Farms.

Best young horse - 1. Unnamed (High Stepper-dam by Hyperion), Rolling Plains Stable.

Children's hunters, 8-12 yrs - 1. Coupon, Mrs. P. C. Cummin; 2. Bitter Sweet, Linden Farm; 3. Mousie, Seahorse Farms; 4. Black Jack, Anthony M. Del Balso.

Children's hunters, 13-16 yrs - 1. Gold Garter, Linden Farm; 2. Mini-Maid, Rebel For Farm; 3. Cheetah, Stephanie Rice; 4. Irish Hope, Frank Harvey.

Children's pairs, 8-16 yrs - 1. Gold Garter, Why Not, Sally Craven; 2. Sagitta, J. B. Hannum IV, Lure, R. S. P. Hannum; 3. Mousie, Coupon; 4. Lucky, Lois Frazier, Lure, P. B. S. Hannum.

Parent & child pairs - 1. Kerry Spades, Judy Hofmann,

Foggy Morn, Mrs. Philip Hofmann; 2. Suits Me, Mimi Cummin, Corzano, Mrs. P. C. Cummin; 3. Black Jack, Savoir Faire, Anthony Del Balso; 4. Coupon, Staccato, Mrs. P. C. Cummin.

Green hunters cup - 1. Night Tourist, Mr. & Mrs. H. D. Paxton; 2. Effective, Mrs. H. Nelson Slater; 3. Corzano; 4. Don Roaming, Mrs. Ferdinand White.

The third ladies' trophy - 1. Coq-Sal, Mrs. Miles Valentine; 2. Tipplies, Mrs. Charles Scribner; 3. Corzano; 4. Sociability, Mrs. H. Nelson Slater.

The Coq-Sal bowl - 1. Timberbrush, Brooklawn Farm; 2. Coq-Sal; 3. Clifton's Bonnet, Seahorse Farm; 4. Fair Fox, Jane Wynn.

The Featherbed plate for hunt teams - 1. Skee Bo, Mrs. H. Nelson Slater, Tipplies, Effective, Mrs. Miles Valentine (Essex Fox Hounds); 2. Army Power, Mrs. Philip Hofmann, Kerry Spades, Bumpy, Cynthia Vandermark (Essex Fox Hounds); 3. Peter Joe, John H. Richards, Artic Fox, F. Heller, Marble, Theodore R. Pugh (Rose Tree Fox Hunting Club).

The Rocky Spring plate - 1. Paddy, Nancy Nicholas; 2. Sociability; 3. Clifton's Bonnet; 4. Tipplies.

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The record of the Holstein horses from Germany at the European horse shows has impressed me. They are used in the international jumping circuits in Europe by Swiss, Italian, Spanish, Belgian, Dutch and Swedish riders, as well as by the Germans. Altmeister, an imported Holstein gelding, has done well in the U.S.A. In 1956 he won the Harrisburg \$10,000 stake, the largest money prize at the time, and in both 1955 and 1956 he won the U.S.E.T. Medal class at Madison Square Garden. The latter class, of course, requires both dressage and jumping. The 1956 reserve jumping champion at the Garden was also an imported Holstein horse, Diamant. The Holstein horse is big—with bone and substance, but without coarseness. He has demonstrated jumping ability and he is known for his manners and tractability. Meteor, ridden by Fritz Thiedeman of Elmshorn, Germany, is probably the top jumping horse of the past decade. He was rarely out of the top placings when competing in the international shows and the 1952 and 1956 Olympics.

It seemed to me that by crossing large, thorobred mares with a fine Holstein stallion, the desired horse might be produced. A horse having the best qualities of both breeds would certainly be unusually fine. The problem, then, was to obtain a stallion suitable for this purpose, and I believe I have solved this problem by acquiring and importing \*HERKULES. Described and pictured on the opposite page, \*HERKULES is 3 years old as of March 14, 1957. Transported by ship, he was on the water 14 days without going off his feed or losing weight. He has an excellent disposition. I obtained him from the Verband der Züchter des Holsteiner Pferdes (Society for the Breeding of Holstein Horses) at Elmshorn, Germany. At the Society's annual rating of 2-year-old colts, \*HERKULES placed 5th.

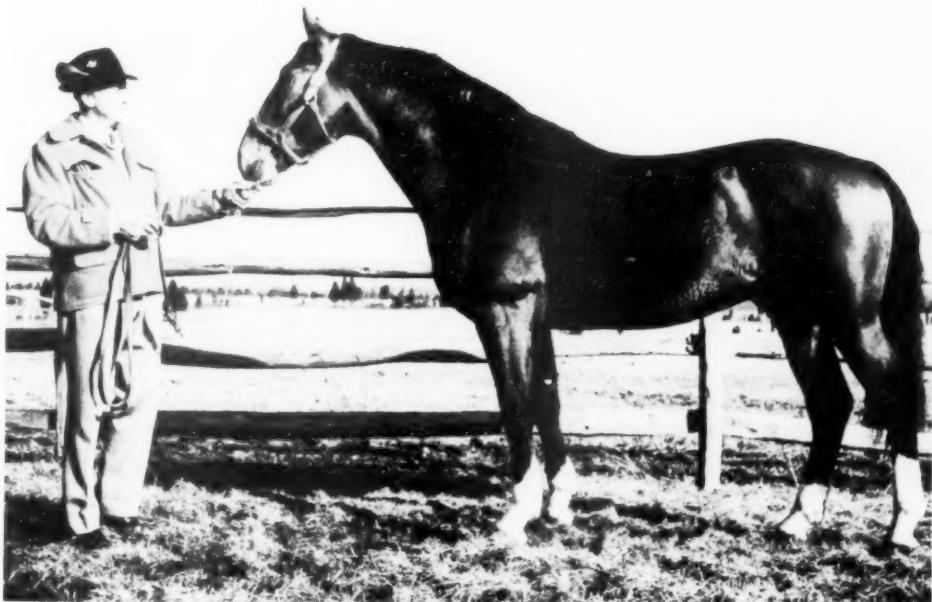
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It would seem contradictory from the standpoint of the U. S. Pony Clubs to state initially that Pony Clubs are for children with ponies and horses, and then deliberately to say that Pony Clubbers should have ponies. The real answer to the question lies in the term SUITABILITY, however, and I think we all agree that this should be the criterion.

There has been in the past, and probably always will be, a feeling among some people that ponies are unsuitable for beginners or young children, because they are stubborn, hard-mouthed, independent little beasts that hardly anyone can ride or control. This, in the majority of cases, has been due to the fact that the ponies were never properly broken and trained. Furthermore many of these small mounts, being left to their own devices most of the time, became a little smarter in

developing evasions and resistances than ponies that are constantly ridden and schooled.

### Confidence

However, with the growth of the Pony Club Organization which has as one of its major objectives teaching children to break and train their own mounts, this state of affairs should certainly be largely rectified. We can and should expect to have our ponies broken and schooled every bit as well as our hunters and hacks. It is obvious, provided a pony is correctly broken, that it is far more suitable and more easily controlled by a child than a great, big, long-striding half-bred or Thoroughbred horse. One of the chief factors in upsetting a child's confidence in his earlier mounts is the question of pace. There is really nothing more upsetting than to be carried at too rapid a speed at any gait. The child's muscles are only just forming. His sense of balance and, being small and short, his rhythm, are disturbed by the exaggerated movements of a large animal. A feeling of confidence in the rider's initial approach to riding is absolutely fundamental, as nothing can be achieved without it. Actually many small adults are thoroughly comfortable and happy hunting a quality pony, and find they have to ask no quarter at all from the Thoroughbreds of the first flight, so phenomenal are the bounce and speed which are often wrapped up in the small package of a well-balanced pony.

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#### Conformation

Another prime factor is, of course, the pony's conformation, or shape, particularly of the withers and back, once the child develops the beginning of a seat. A narrow-withered horse is preferable to a mutton-shouldered, thick-barrelled, short-necked pony. Therefore, our perfect type of child's pony should be like a well-conformed small horse. This is particularly true when the child is learning to jump and to ride across country.

From the point of view of classification for showing purposes, it has always been considered that a pony should be 14.2 or under. Years ago, polo ponies had to be under a definite height limit. The reason for this was to control the pace of the game. As the game progressed and players became more proficient, the rules were changed, and polo ponies of any height were allowed. This greatly increased the pace and speed of the game, and made it a much more exciting sport. One generally sees polo ponies today averaging 15 hands, with some of them 4 or even 5 inches larger. Here again, SUITABILITY is the keynote, as big men were not only uncomfortable on but distinctly too heavy for these very small ponies. Along roughly the same lines, it is my feeling that, as a greater number of children become more and more proficient in cross country riding and especially foxhunting, this arbitrary height limit should not continue to be such a controlling factor.

#### Breeding

In a number of cases in the past, the breeding of ponies in this country has been carried on rather indiscriminately, without much thought being given to the right type of sire on a mare of suitable conformation, and particularly disposition. The various breeds in England have been very carefully recorded with a great deal of considered thought, and for this reason are producing a tremendous number of suitable mounts for all purposes and conditions. Suitability, of course, is of necessity a changeable quantity. If a child starts to ride on, say, an old, quiet Shetland pony at the same age as he goes to kindergarten, and progresses from grade to grade in his riding as he does in school, he will require ponies of greater and greater degrees of quality and ability, whatever the breed or type.

#### Economy

Last, but not least to all parents and owners of stable bills, we must consider the economy of suitability. Why feed a big horse if a pony will do the job? Ponies are famous for their toughness and adaptability to all conditions of weather, etc., and for their healthy instinct of self-preservation, which certainly cuts down the vet bills. They are notoriously good doers, utilizing every scrap of pasture and hay. They are even cheaper to shoe. Altogether, they require less expensive

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(There will be additional appointments to the Inspection Committee.)

Copies of the Stud Book, including by-laws, registration fees, and regulations of the American Connemara Pony Society may be obtained upon request. In addition to the Pure-Bred Register, there will be a Supplementary Register for Half-Bred Connemara Ponies.

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jump and was exceedingly willing, jumping anything from a triple bar to a chicken coop almost as high as her head! Reveille won the Novice class at the Loudoun Pony and Jr. show and the small Green Hunters at Warrenton Pony.

Fox Hollow Stables, Orange, Va., campaigned a black two-year-old mare by Sylvia's Comet out of the Welsh-Thoroughbred mare, Farnley Babette. Bab's Bambi accounted for over 40 ribbons in the four months she was shown until August, at which time she was sold to The Royal Firmans of Mentor, Ohio for their daughter, Cindy. When she left Virginia

Bambi stood on top of the large pony division in points, quite an unusual feat for a two-year-old. She had obtained sufficient lead to drop only a sixth in the final standing in November.

Without a doubt the outstanding newcomer in the large pony classes was Harold Brit's liver chestnut mare, Indy Sue. Ridden by Richard Zimmerman to her many victories this mare of Arab-Quarter horse breeding combines the airy way of moving so characteristic of the Arab, with the agility of the Quarter horse. Among her many victories were championships at Allendale, N. J.; Hot Springs, Va.; Howard Co., Md.; and Warrenton, Va. She was the High Score winner in the V. H. S. A. for her division.

The outstanding crossbred breeding pony of '56 was Silver Scuff, a two-year-old grey mare by Sylvia's Comet out of Mr. and Mrs. James N. Andrews Jr.'s Silver Heels. Scuff accounted for her first victory at Loudoun Pony and Jr. winning the two-year-old class and breeding championship under the Andrews' name. Following that show she was purchased by Fox Hollow and went on to be unbeaten in her two-year-old and model classes in Va., Md., and Pa. She was sold in November to Mrs. J. H. Symington, Leesburg, Va., for her daughter, Dee Dee.

Lets look into the coming show season and see what ponies to look out for. Johnny Mann, Brookville, L. I. will be showing the two-year-old mare, Snow Waltz (Sylvia's Comet-Snowstorm) on Long Island until June when he will start showing in Virginia. Leeway Farm, Washington, Va., has two ponies to watch - Skylark a full brother to Smokey Joe and a little model mare, Witchery, by Farnley Gremlin out of Halloween. Another mare by Gremlin, Gremlin's Delight will be shown by M. Kenneth Taylor of Hampton, Va. Mountain Glen Farm is bringing out a registered Welsh gelding, Jupiter by Whitehall Moving Star out of Sylvia's Vixen. Beltview Pony Farm, Mechanicsburg, Pa. will show Bab's Brightlight, a full sister to Bab's Bambi. Fox Hollow Stables is starting Silver Slippers a full sister to Silver Scuff and Southland's Acorn, a registered Welsh mare by Moving Star out of Windholme Sylvia.

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care, and are of a size to permit their owner-grooms to do a good job of strapping.

To sum up, then, a suitable pony makes an ideal child's mount - and to be suitable, a pony must possess the right size, conformation, disposition, ability and training to do the specific job required of him.



The New Forest (Hampshire) Pony Breeding Society's Point-to-Point races. The photo shows Miss P. Mangin's BOB ridden by E. R. Strickland, winning the Open (Sport and General Photo)

## Chronicle Cover

Sir Alfred Munnings wrote in his autobiography, Volume I, 11 211-212: -

Here was a lucky start, full of possibilities - the landlord, the place, the river, the hills, the gorse beginning to bloom; horses, ponies and, above all, Shrimp, that utterly uneducated, wild, ageless youth, who slept underneath Drake's caravan. When not wanted, he lay on the dusty ground or grass (each came alike to him), smoked cigarettes, and played with the lesser dogs, lurchers and children. He was a good bare-back rider and sly as a fox. On my instruction Shrimp had gone to Norwich, to a tailor in Dove Street who made clothes for the fraternity, to be measured and fitted for the usual cut of tight cord trousers, and black-fronted sleeve waistcoat - a garment of the past, a Georgian relic. Cut long, with drab sleeves and back, a black cloth front with step collar, deep pocket-flaps and black pearl buttons, it was useful and picturesque. Shrimp, thus attired, with a yellow handkerchief round his neck, was a paintable figure. At a fair or market, with customers around, Shrimp, in this guise, ready and waiting, with halters slung round his shoulders, would receive his commands. The voice of Drake would be heard:

"Go in there, boy, and git that bay colt."

Shouldering into that crowded herd of wild Welsh ponies, Shrimp, borne off his feet in the crush, reached and flung his arms round the unruly, rearing colt. Halting it at last, with the long halter-rope in his grasp he struggled clear, and other hefty fellows seizing the rope, the plunging victim was hauled from the mob.

I grew to like Shrimp. My memories of him are touched with regret, thinking how much I could have done for him. But I console myself with the reflection that my last gesture to him was to present him with the dun-colored horse and blue caravan which, shortly afterwards, was to be added to my painting properties.



One of the major activities of Maryland Pony Breeders will be the Sixth Annual Yearling Show to be held this year on June 6th. This show always attracts a group of outstanding Shetland, Welsh and crossbred yearling ponies from Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Plans are being made for the support of breeding classes and children's classes at a number of other shows, particularly at the Maryland State Fair at Timonium.

The chief activity of Maryland Pony Breeders this year, as in past years, will be the pony sale to be held at Timonium on Friday, September 6th. This sale has grown in prestige and in interest each year. All types of children's ponies plus a rapidly enlarging group of high quality Welsh and Shetland breeding stock make this a sale of very wide appeal.

## Maryland Pony Breeders Inc.

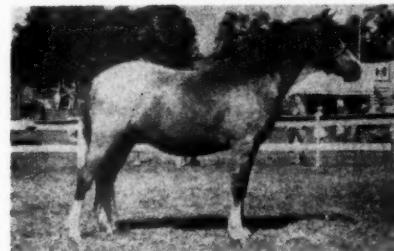
Mrs. Charles E. Iliff, President

The Board of Directors of Maryland Pony Breeders, Inc. met in Baltimore on March 26th and outlined plans for the coming year. It was agreed that emphasis should be put on the production of ponies suitable for children and on showing in a fashion designed to develop and demonstrate the pony's natural characteristics and abilities. The children themselves are to be encouraged to take part in all activities, including the showing of breeding stock as well as performance animals.

## U. S. AND BRITISH SHOWS

Writing in the April issue of "The Light Horse", Editor C. E. G. Hope comments: "In spite of the size of the country the American Show scene is on a small scale compared with ours, e.g., 877 jumping classes compared with 3,175; but the rate of prize money, 48,000 pounds (approximately \$79,533) is over double per class. Hunter classes in the States command much more prize money than in Britain - 60,000 pounds or so."

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## U. S. Connemara Ponies in 1956

### Polly Case

It seems fitting that a report on Connemara Ponies in 1956 should start with information from the people who have pioneered the breed in the United States.

Mr. George Ohrstrom, Jr. of White-wood, The Plains, Va., writes - "We have two studs, Tully Nigger and Lavally Pride, and about six yearlings and foals. We have three young geldings that have been hunted and shown; they have all won blue ribbons. One of them, Stinger, who is half T. B. has been singled out as the outstanding show pony prospect for Virginia this year. We sold the little mare, Muffin, who in her third show was Reserve Champion in the Maryland Pony Show.

"This year, we will be showing five ponies, two of which are 3-year-old geldings, both winners, which we would like to sell for modest prices in order to spread interest in the breed. We would like to sell also Lavally Pride, a nice stud pony, the sire of Biscuit, one of the outstanding ponies in Ohio.

"In Virginia, considerable interest has been shown in Connemaras. People love their dispositions, their way of moving and their strength. Their all around usefulness is impressive. They are small enough for children, and yet large enough for normal sized adults. They are ideal for hunting, as lead ponies, or as shooting ponies.

My brother-in-law hunts Biscuit regularly and our manager, Mr. Ernest Lineweaver, has so much confidence in a pony we gave him to ride around the farm that at the age of 62 he has taken up foxhunting."

Mrs. Bruce Read, of Round Robin Farm, East Pepperell, Mass., writes that she has six Connemaras now. 1. Wicklow Mt. Rose (MacDara 9 - Clare Dun 1266). In breeding classes, open competition, she has won in the U. S. A. in 1955, 1st in the Melrose Horse Show and 3rd in the Pepperell Horse Show. In 1956 she placed 1st in the Millwood and 2nd in the Pepperell, Groton and Groton Model Class Horse Shows. She was the only Connemara shown, competed against the better known breeds, Shetlands, Welsh, Hackneys, etc., and has never been out of the ribbons. 2. Sandy Grey (1494), imported untrained in February, 1956, qualified with the Groton Hunt and was placed in the Groton Point-to-Point in December, 1956. Mrs. Read has four mares in foal - one was bred in Eire to MacDara and the other three are in foal to Toureen Laddie.

The Murchison Ranch has a herd of 20 ponies. Word is that Mr. Bayard Tucker- man has recently imported a pony for his children.

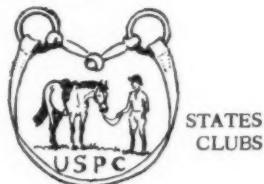
In June last year we imported to Charlton Farm, Avon, N. Y. a seasoned and ex-

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perienced mare, Lorelei. She was twice winner at Balls Bridge, has a list of other wins as long as my arm. If she isn't the best pony I ever saw, she is certainly the best I've ever owned. My daughter rode her at the Rolling Rock Regional Pony Club Rally last summer and they had to score for the meeting. Also she was Reserve Champion at the Genesee Valley Horse Trials, Junior Division. There were fifteen in the section. Col. J. Hume-Dudgeon of Eire selected and sent us our stallion, "Toureen Laddie" and Lorelei, and we are waiting for three more mares.

With the help and consent of Connemara Pony Stud Book people in Galway, Mrs. Read is starting an American Stud Book for the breed, quite an undertaking.

After seeing Mrs. Read's ponies, Mrs. Frederic Winthrop wrote me, "Connemara Ponies are handsome as as handsome does ponies; we all hope their generous service will win a warm place for them in the American Pony world."



### NATIONAL RALLY TO BE HELD AT FOXCROFT SCHOOL, MIDDLEBURG, VA.

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The Executive Committee of the United States Pony Clubs, Inc. is pleased to advise you that the Foxcroft School at Middleburg, Virginia, has very kindly offered its facilities to the United States Pony Clubs, Inc. for its Third National Rally, in 1957.

The School is located approximately two miles from Middleburg, Virginia, and accommodations will be available at the School for all team members and their adult supervisors as well as their horses.

The conditions for the 1957 Rally will generally be similar to those of previous National Rallies in 1955 and 1956. More detailed specifications are presently being prepared.

Regional Supervisors have been instructed to hold Regional Rallies for the purpose of picking teams to represent those areas at the National Rally.

We are particularly fortunate in having Colonel and Mrs. C. Guy Cubitt as the chief judges at this Rally. Col. Cubitt is the Chairman of the British Pony Club. He and Mrs. Cubitt are coming to this country prior to our National Rally for the purpose of judging the Canadian National Rally, and immediately afterwards are coming to Virginia to be the chief judges at our Rally. They will be assisted by General and Mrs. C. Churchill Mann and General and Mrs. Charles B. Lyman. In addition, Mr. J. B. van Urk, will show moving pictures and give a talk on international competition.

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Interest in the Welsh Pony has grown by leaps and bounds during the past two years. Not only have the registrations quadrupled since 1954, but transfers have steadily increased. In fact, the demand for breeding stock far exceeds the supply and approximately 100 Welsh ponies have been imported to meet this demand, during the past year.

These activities have also increased the number of breeders and members of the Society. In 1954, breeders of Welsh Ponies were located in certain sections of the country, mainly in the East, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Oregon and North Dakota. Today breeders are scattered over the United States and in addition to the above localities, we now have owners of Welsh ponies and breeders from Florida to California, with large herds in South Carolina and Texas.

If I were asked to give only one reason for this growing interest in Welsh ponies, I would say, **THEIR VERSATILITY!** People become interested in ponies for many reasons and the Welsh ponies can meet their needs, whether it be for showing in harness, under saddle, a child's pony or even for farm work.

Mrs. H. L. Shelton, Secretary

**P. H. A. Educational  
Forum For Horsemen**

Elaine Werner

Although there existed no established procedure and no assurance that such an event would be acceptable, the Fairfield-Westchester Chapter of the Professional Horsemen's Association planned an Educational Forum with no expense spared, the resultant program being presented March 26, at New York's Hotel Martinique.

Despite the threat of violent spring snowstorms, there were horsemen from California, Ohio, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Paxson and Allen King, just returned from a hunting tour in Ireland; Mrs. C. R. Irvine and daughter Sue, '56 Medal Winner from Calif.; U. S. E. T. Team Captain William Steinkraus; Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Fletcher and many others.

Groups included saddle, harness, western, morgan, racing, hunter, jumper - actively participating in lively discussion.

Horse pathology; disease and prevention; sleeping sickness; botulism; latest information on vaccination prevention - an analysis by Dr. Victor R. Kaschula, B. V. Sc., veterinarian from the Dept. of Pathology, Rutgers University. Dr. Kaschula, a modest though eminently qualified scholar has had considerable experience with similar diseases in his native South Africa.

Public relations was the contribution of George Coleman, sportswriter and

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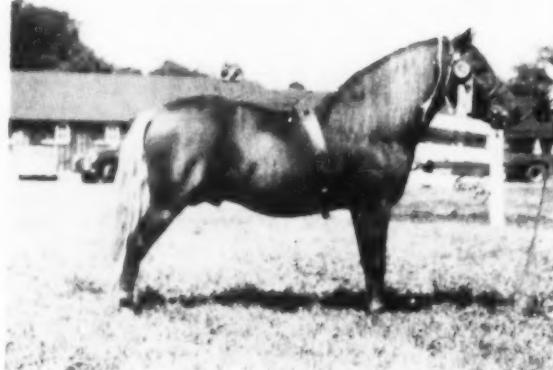
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(Elaine Werner Photo)

**P. H. A. Forum**

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PR counsel for the Polo Association. In simple straightforward terms he discussed: methods of creating a sound public relations program between horsemen and the general public in individual communities; how to conduct a publicity campaign; press relations; promotion; and increased attendance.

Nutrition; feeding and vitamins; methods of conditioning; hygiene; disease prevention - concluded this memorable Forum. Dr. Jordan Woodcock, well-known official veterinarian for N. Y. State Race Tracks, presented his address with clarity and an insight made possible by his own wealth of experience.

In printed form, the tape recording made during presentation could function admirably as an instructive program for interested organizations. Congratulations to this hard-working Chapter - for producing a Forum that was truly Educationall

**DUBLIN HORSE SHOW**

At a cost of 130,000 pounds (\$364,000) the Royal Dublin Society has extended its Ballsbridge showground space by nearly one half. This will provide show visitors with parking space for over 3,000 automobiles and exhibitors with as much space as they require. Over 100,000 pounds of the above was expended in acquiring the Sommerson estate - which had been earlier earmarked as the site of new luxury flats. "The Spring and Horse Show events at Dublin will be the biggest ever", says executive chairman, the Hon. W. E. Wylie.

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## Dartmoor Ponies In America

Hetty Mackay-Smith

Dartmoor ponies have been bred in America for twenty years, the first ones having been imported from England in 1937 by Mrs. J. H. Mackay-Smith.

The Dartmoor is officially described as essentially a riding pony, having always been used by Moorland farmers in Devon and Cornwall, England to carry them over rocks and the steep hillsides of Devon in their sure-footed and active manner. That

head, excellent riding shoulder, good medium bone, short cannons, and strong, sound feet. The emphasis on these points turns out a wonderfully hardy and attractive pony, especially suitable for riding. Dartmoor action is active, moving out well from the shoulder and flexing the hocks. The height limit is 12.2 h.h., there being smaller strains of about 11.1 h.h. as well.

The "hard" colors of black, brown and



Imported Registered Dartmoor mare APPLE PIE and foal.

they are especially bred for children as well is illustrated by the traditional nursery-rhyme and flower names found throughout the stud book. Sweetmeat, Wild Thyme, Maiden Hair and Queen of Hearts are surely names of ponies for children.

The Dartmoor is known for its tractable nature, low comfortable riding action, and affectionate disposition. The breed Standard particularly notes the small keen

bay are preferred. It is interesting that among the Moorland ponies exposed to such storms as the severe 1947 snows, the browns, blacks and bays survived in greater numbers than did the greys and light chestnuts.

The first recognition given the Dartmoor as a breed by a Stud Book was in 1899 in the English Polo Pony Stud Book which provided sections for the various

Mountain and Moorland breeds in their fifth volume. In 1925 the Dartmoor Pony Society was formed which set up a Standard and Registration Rules, and continues as a section of the original Polo Pony Stud Book, now called the National Pony Stud Book. In the 1948-1952 volume the standard was revised to limit the height to the present 12.2 h.h.

Four stallions and ten mares were imported to America between 1937 and 1956. Half of these animals were bred by the late Miss E. R. Scrimgeour, whose herd Mrs. Vernon Barran continued to maintain in Sussex. These imports and their descendants make up a total entry of 46 registered animals in the recently established Dartmoor Stud Book of America. Of these, six stallions and about 24 mares, two and over, are scattered in the states between Virginia and Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon MacMaster, Cheshire, Conn., George K. Batt, Morristown, N. J., as well as Mrs. Mackay-Smith are among the principal owners and breeders of Dartmoors.

Both mares and stallions have won large pony breeding classes in open competition in Maryland and Virginia. Hey Nonny (N.P.S.B. 1578) I, an 11.1-1/2 h.h. stallion won an open stallion class of seven at Warrenton, Va. He stood for nearly twenty years in Maryland and Virginia, getting a number of large show ponies and childrens hunters out of Thoroughbred mares as well as siring purebreds. A son, Farnley Peanuts, won a class of 40 hacks at Devon as a three-year-old. Farnley Halloween and Farnley Blackmagic had numerous wins over jumps for their young riders.



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## Welsh Pony Importations

Hetty Mackay-Smith

With the rapidly expanding interest in ponies since the war, it was inevitable that breeders should again import ponies from the British Isles to increase their herds and meet the growing demand.

Welsh Mountain Ponies have been registered in this country since 1906. Since 1929, exactly 50 stallions and 250 mares have been imported and registered. Of these, 42 stallions and 241 mares have been imported in the decade since World War II. The years 1955 and 1956 have seen an even greater concentration of the trend, 28 of the stallions and 184 of the mares having been imported during these

past two years. There have been 9 mares and one stallion imported since January and no less than 50 mares are arriving in the immediate future.

The first large exporter from the British Isles was W. S. Miller, Forest Lodge, Brecon, who sent an impressive shipment of five stallions and 22 mares to Elmendorf Stud in Lexington, in 1910. In 1912 he and J. Marshall Dugdale exported an even larger shipment to Fredrick P. Bonney, Boston. In the same year Mrs. H. D. Greene sent sixteen mares to Dr. Nash Snead, Cartersville, Va. To George Heyl, Washington, Ill. went 17 mares and two stallions from various Welsh breeders. Snead; Bonney; Charles Stone, Plymouth, Mass.; and Carl Noltin, Trevilians, Va., continued to import Welsh Mountain Ponies in great numbers until 1916 when importations virtually ceased. Dr. Snead's

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herd is said to have numbered 300 mares running from the Shenandoah Valley up into the Blue Ridge Mountains.

In recent years the largest exporter and champion of the Welsh Mountain Pony has been Miss M. Brodrick of Abergale, No. Wales who has shipped scores of ponies from her Coed Coch Stud to this country, particularly since 1948. The Criban and Revel Studs have also exported large numbers to importers such as Mrs. J. H. Mackay-Smith in Va., Mr. J. Tolan in Ill., and Mr. R. D. Goodrich in Texas as well as others.

These Welsh Mountain Ponies, imported at the cost of considerable time and money, are by no means a short-time investment. This is illustrated by the fact that of the six mares imported in 1937 (by Mrs. McLean and Mrs. Mackay-Smith) three produced foals in 1956. These three, incidentally, were all exported by W. H. Richards, Criban Pony Stud.

## Virginia Shetland Farms

M. Lucy Eddins

Warrenton, Virginia, is considered a center of Thoroughbred breeding, and so it is, but a great deal of stress has been laid in recent years on the development of another branch of the equine family... the Shetland pony. In most parts of America you can drive for hundreds of miles before finding one pony farm, but in the area surrounding Warrenton there are roughly a dozen pony breeding establishments, and some 1,000 ponies. It makes one wonder whether there are any left in Scotland!

The English type Shetland, as found in the Shetland Isles, is a blocky, draft type animal, used in his native habitat as a work animal, as a pit pony in the mining areas, etc., and is sturdy, untiring and enormously strong. He is particularly noted for his ability to pull and carry heavy weights, but his neck is too thick and his barrel too round to make him a good saddle animal.

### American Shetlands

Breeders in this country, beginning in the Middle West soon after the war and using Shetland stock, have developed a more slender type of animal. These ponies are veritable little horses. They have retained the quiet disposition, but are far more active, with smoother gaits. From 40-42 inches high, they can often jump as high as three feet, and make fine mounts for small children.

Through even more selective breeding another type of Shetland has been developed, and these are the only sort that can now be registered with the American Shetland Pony Association. Shetlands registered in Scotland and imported cannot now be registered with the American

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## Va. Shetland Farms

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Association. Called harness show ponies, they are typy, active ponies running from 11 to 13 hands high, are less phlegmatic than the original Shetland, and have considerably higher action. These ponies are highly valued as show animals, and breeders are often willing to pay surprisingly high prices for them.

### Schlusemeyer Stud

The Shetland pony movement in Warrenton began early in 1955, when Mr. William Schlusemeyer, recognizing the growing demand for ponies, purchased 18 registered Shetland mares at the Perry-Carlisle sale in Perry, Oklahoma. At the same time he paid the top price of the sale for a two-year-old palomino Shetland stallion, Golden Flash of Lynnwood. These formed the nucleus of his herd. He then went to Scotland with Mr. and Mrs. Ian Montgomery, also of Warrenton, and between them they bought 120 mares, each taking 60. Mr. Schlusemeyer had also, before going to Scotland, purchased several mares from Mormon Fields in Bedford, Va.

He now has 169 mares and ten stallions. 35 of his mares are in foal to what he considers his best stallion, Crescent Wildfire, a dappled light chestnut five-year-old. 40 more of the mares are in foal to

Golden Flash of Lynnwood. Since Mr. Schlusemeyer wants his Broadview farm to be represented by the highest possible quality of pony, he is sending Golden Flash to the Winchester, Va., Shetland pony sales April 26-27. It is also his intention to introduce new blood into his breeding program, and it is possible that he will buy a new stallion to replace this one.

Although he has done little advertising, 110 foals were sold from Broadview last year, and 130 are expected to be sold this year. The Winchester sale being the only one to which Mr. Schlusemeyer consigns, the majority of his ponies are sold privately. Registered filly weanlings start at \$800 and often go as high as \$2,500, while registered colt foals start at about \$400, going to \$1,500. "Grade" foals (those not registered with the American Shetland Pony Association) range from \$125-250 for colts, and \$250-\$700 for fillies. The most popular colours for show ponies, and it took over 50 years of very selective

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The Montgomerys went to Scotland with the Schlusemeyers in 1955 and bought 60 mares at that time. After they returned to this country they got more through an agent in Scotland, and last September they made another trip to Scotland and purchased an additional 100. 75 more came by "mail order" after their return from their last trip. Many have been sold, as there is a fairly rapid turn-over, but they have at the present

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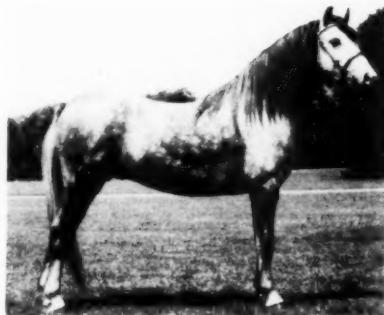
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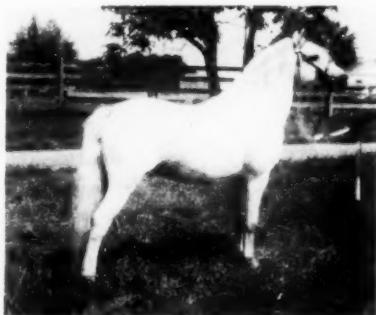
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## Va. Shetland Farms

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time a band of about 75 mares, the majority of which are in foal.

### Appaloosa Shetlands

They also have what they believe to be the only Appaloosa Shetland pony in America! A four-year-old, white with red spots, this pony is named El Diablo, and the Montgomerys feel that if he passes his markings on to his foals, he will be very successful in this country. Already they have received inquiries about him from Shetland pony breeders all over the country. Spotted ponies, says Mrs. Montgomery, are among the most popular for pet ponies.

Another stallion for which the Montgomerys have high hopes is a seven-year-old "cream" pony, named Avening Cream Cheese. Both of these stallions were acquired last year, and at the same time the Montgomerys bought a few mares in foal to Avening Cream Cheese.

Grey Shetlands are also much in demand in the pet pony trade, according to Mrs. Montgomery, and they have several. Apparently Shetlands of this colour are rather rare.

The environment at the Montgomerys' Rapparidge Farm must be an idyllic one for their three children. Ann, Shelia and Brian, 11, 8 and 4 respectively, have their work cut out for them gentling and breaking the weanling and yearling ponies, and preparing them for sale, with the assistance of their mother, an enthusiastic horsewoman herself.

Shetland ponies are undeniably engaging little animals, and it is easy to see why they have become so popular. Patient, hardy, and extremely lovable (authorities insist that, given proper training, they need not necessarily become "nippy"), it seems safe to say that as long as there are children on the American scene, there will be ponies, and especially Shetlands!

Naturally, it would be impossible to go into detail about all the Shetland farms in Virginia...space does not permit. However, we should like to at least mention that in Warrenton there are at least two other Shetland Farms, one owned by Keith Fletcher and the other by Martin Vogel. Both of these men are extremely enthusiastic about their ponies, and have been most successful with their efforts in the breeding game.

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## Eastern Pony Breeders

The annual meeting of the Eastern Pony Breeder's Association, at the General Washington Inn, Fredericksburg, Va., was

attended by 46 voting members, two junior members and 33 guests. The following directors were elected for a three year term: Mr. Vern Rider, Gordonsville, Va., Mrs. Jane Clark, Forest Hill, Md., Mr. B. B. Bailey, Carrollton, Va. and Mr. L. B. Gutman, Port Deposit, Md. A short directors meeting was held in order to elect the following officers: President, Mrs. Jane Clark; Vice-president, Mr. James Allen, Northampton, Mass.; Secretary, Mrs. Harriet Earhart, Stephenson, Va.; Treasurer, Mr. Clifford Marker, Rising Sun, Md.

High Score Awards for the 1956 show season were awarded as follows:

COLT FOAL - Saddle Acres Senor Peppi Torrente, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

FILLY FOAL - Farnley Mazurka, Farnley Farm.

YEARLING COLT - Saddle Acres Winsor, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

YEARLING FILLY - Saddle Acres Figurine, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

2 YR. OLD COLT - Liseter Shooting Star, Liseter Hall Farm.

2 YR. OLD FILLY - Saddle Acres Velvet, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

BROODMARE - Saddle Acres Sun Charm, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

STALLION - Saddle Acres King Larigo, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

HARNESS PONY STALLION - Atomic Bomb, James Favino.

HARNESS PONY MARE - Saddle Acres Goldie, Saddle Acres Pony Farm.

HUNTER SEAT HORSEMANSHIP - Jerry Binns.

SADDLE SEAT HORSEMANSHIP - Billy Preston.

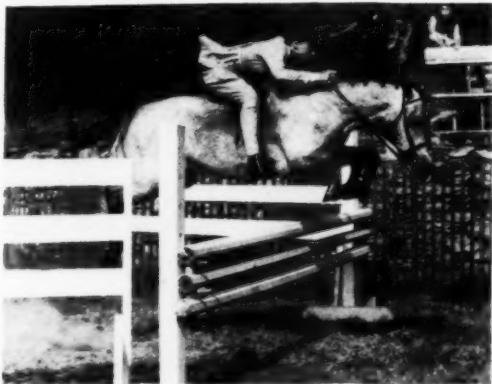
CHILD DRIVER - Barbara Lee Lester.

SMALL PONY HUNTER - No entries.

MEDIUM PONY HUNTER - Pep-O-Mint, Deane Gutman.

LARGE PONY HUNTER - Bab's Bambi, Fox Hollow Stables.

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## Middleburg Races

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Mound and \*Flighty Eyes in close attendance. Faltering after leading over the 4th of 7 hurdles by a nose, Rebel Coat gave way and \*Flighty Eyes took over command with Wm. M. Duryea's Breakers Ahead moving into the place position. They coasted under the wire in this manner, with Breakers Ahead 5 lengths in the wake of the English-bred hurder. Rebel Coat held on to finish 3rd, with Tall Mound and Mrs. Ogden Phipps' Out of Reach completing the order of finish as named. The winner covered the 1 3/4 miles in 3:11.

Having saddled winners of the opening races, Watters completed the day by sending out the Dolphin Rock Stable's Permian to score his first victory of the year in the Sunny Bank, a 1 mile turf race which closed the day of sport. Up to his old tricks, Permian "dwelt" at the start and finally got under way when starter Harold ("Brud") Plumb and his assistant R. B. ("Bobby") Young "urged" him sufficiently. Trailing the field of 7, as W. H. Perry's King Somali and Mrs. Vernon G. Cardy's \*Manaos alternated the pace, Permian responded to James Murphy and closed with a rush in the stretch to win by 2 1/2 lengths. King Somali held the place safe, 1 1/2 lengths in advance of \*Manaos, a winner of two turf races so far this season.

While running 3rd at the 3/4 marker, Wm. L. Rochester, Sr.'s Jane's Bid fell with Noble Lowery, who was not injured in the mishap. Making his 2nd start of the season, Permian was timed in 1:35 for the 1 mile over soft turf.

## SUMMARIES:

The Glenwood, (hurdles), abt. 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Purse: \$500. Net value to winner: \$305; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$50; 4th: \$25. Winner: b.g., 5, by Prince Chevalier - Folie d'Or, by Vatellor. Trainer: S. Watters, Jr. Breeder: Mme. E. Schwob, France. Time: 2:45 4/5.

1. \*Prince du Houlme, (F. H. Bontecou), 149, J. Murphy.

2. Niagara, (Sandford Stud Farms), 139, J. Walker.

3. Jacklow, (R. K. Mellon), 142, K. Field.

12 started and 11 finished; also ran (order of finish):

Mrs. T. A. Randolph's Humske, 149, A. P. Smithwick; Mrs. T. A. Randolph's Essex, 142, J. Aitcheson, Jr.; W. M. Duryea's Spinning, 149, H. Hatcher; K. Dallam's Flying World, 142, W. Ackman; North Hill Farm's Northridge, 139, W. Dee; C. Manierre's Friars Fool, 152, E. Carter; Mrs. J. M. Burke's Mighty Royal, (dis.), 142, W. Mason; Mrs. G. L. Ohrstrom's Clarabelle, 134, A. Galvin. Ran off course: R. L. Elgin's Breeze Me, 149, W. Carter. Won by 4; place by neck; show by 1 1/2. Scratched: Out of Reach; Dancing Jay.

The Panther Skin, (allowance hurdles), abt. 1 3/4 mi., 3 & up. Purse: \$600. Net value to winner: \$370; 2nd: \$120; 3rd: \$60; 4th: \$30. Winner: dk. b. h., 6, by Airbourne-Lily Marlene, by \*Mahmoud. Trainer: S. Watters, Jr. Breeder: Busbridge Stud, Ltd., England. Time: 3:11.

1. \*Flighty Eyes, (F. H. Bontecou), 142, J. Murphy. 2. Breakers Ahead, (W. M. Duryea), 154, H. Hatcher. 3. Rebel Coat, (Mrs. V. G. Cardy), 142, S. Riles.

5 started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Miss M. Rumsey's Tall Mound, 141, W. Mason; Mrs. O. Phipps' Out of Reach, 144, A. P. Smithwick. Won by 5; place by 4 1/2; show by 2 1/2. Scratched: Dancing Jay, \*Narcissus 2nd, Permian, Curly Joe.

The Three Oaks, (allowance short turf course), abt. 6 furlongs, 3 & up. Purse: \$200. Net value to winner: \$110; 2nd: \$40; 3rd: \$30. Winner: ch.b., 5, by Big Game-Fox trot IV, by Foxhound. Trainer: W. B. Cocks. Breeder: Mrs. H. E. Morris, France. Time: 1:06 2/5.

1. \*Square Dance 2nd, (Mrs. V. G. Cardy), 149, S. Riles. 2. \*Narcissus 2nd, (Mrs. H. L. McKnight), 156, A. P. Smithwick.

3. Dora's Fiddle, (Mrs. F. Ingalls), 133, W. Mason. 8 started and finished; also ran (order of finish): R. K. Mellon's Dinar, 139, J. Murphy; G. C. Patson's Foxspur, 134, F. Burrows; Mrs. C. E. Adams' Shiny Dime, 146, J. Walker; Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh, Jr.'s Kindly Light, 149, M. Ferral; R. D. Rouse's Bell's Range, 138, K. Field. Won by 1; place by 1 1/2; show by 1 3/4. Scratched: Great Tom.

The William Skinner Memorial, (allowance steeplechase), abt. 2 mi., 4 & up. Purse: \$750. Net value to winner: \$445; 2nd: \$150; 3rd: \$75; 4th: \$40. Winner: b.g., 6, by \*Piping Rock-Highclere, by Jack High. Trainer: D. M. Smithwick. Breeder: Blenheim Farms. Time: 3:57 2/5.

D. \*Prince Giorieux, (Mrs. G. L. Ohrstrom), 138, W. Mason.

1. Crag, (Mrs. A. J. Smithwick), 154, A. P. Smithwick. 2. Ares, (Bellevue Farm), 154, M. Ferral.

3. Amik, (W. M. Duryea), 150, H. Hatcher.

6 started and 5 finished; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. L. Mammele's The Wedge, 143, W. Ackman. Fell at 10th, Brookmeade Stable's Kabyle, 150, W. Dee. Won by 4; place by 1/2; show by 2. Scratched: Evans.

The Middleburg Hunt Cup, (timber steeplechase), abt. 3 mi., 4 & up. Purse: \$1,000. Net value to winner: \$360; 2nd: \$200; 3rd: \$100; 4th: \$50. Winner: b.g., 9, by Star Beacon-Dancing Patsy, by Grand Time. Trainer: W. B. Cocks. Breeder: G. P. Greenhalgh. Time: 5:22.

1. Dancing Beacon, (Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh, Jr.), 165, M. Ferral.

2. Grand Chai, (A. H. Smith), 158, J. Aitcheson, Jr.

3. Ricacho, (R. D. Rouse), 165, A. P. Smithwick.

7 started and 6 finished; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. F. Miller's Kilmarnock, 159 B. Miller; Mrs. G. S. McIntosh's Sonabo, 165, G. Stephens; E. P. Taylor's Royal Craft, 165, J. Dixon. Pulled up at 7th, Mrs. A. S. Cartbar's Drifting Wood, 165, E. Weymouth. Won by 1; place by 4 1/2; show by 3. Scratched: Last Look.

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The Sunny Bank, (allowance turf course), abt. 1 mi., 3 & up. Purse: \$200. Net value to winner: \$110; 2nd: \$40; 3rd: \$30. Winner: br.g., 6, by Bossuet-Consolida, by Blue Larkspur. Trainer: S. Watters, Jr. Breeder: C. T. Cherry, Time: 1:35.

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## Letters To The Editor

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horse was and what they needed to get ahead in a non-hunting state. We set up our rules under the A. H. S. A. and were approved by them after a visit to Mr. Buell in New York two years ago. Since then, progress is the byword. We have raised money, built fences, had more classes, better judges, green divisions, and were rewarded with more northern quality horses showing. We work at all times with the Florida Horse Show Association and have three hunter members on the board. There is still a long way to go, but we have come very far. You would be pleased to see our courses, classes and competition. My husband and I are the founder members. Mrs. John G. Chesney, the former Audrey Hasler, 1st Macay winner, is our present president.

Best regards,  
Jobie Arnold  
(Mrs. Don B. Arnold)

## 1957 FOALS

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Ruanda, by \*Alibhai: f. (March 4) by \*Moondust. Hamburg Place, Lexington, Ky. Owner, Albert Yank. Booked to "Our Love II."

Rytina, by Milkman: c. (Feb. 12) by Native Dancer. Dan W. Scott's Farm, Lexington, Ky. Owner Mrs. Joseph Walker, Jr. Booked to Polynesian.

War Flower, by Man o' War: f. (Feb. 24) by \*Helipolis. White Oaks Farm, Lexington, Ky. Booked to Polynesian.



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Friday, April 19, 1957



## ABOUT STEEPLECHASING

Very satisfactory progress has been made on the new steeplechase-hurdle course at Belmont Park, indicating an exceptionally good season this fall for the jumpers, according to John E. Cooper of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, who, with members of its Course Committee, met with G.N.Y.A. officials last fall to recommend a specific program now nearing completion.

On a recent tour of the infield, Cooper noted that all the grading had been done, the topsoil replaced, and the comprehensive program of seedbed preparation was well under way. On both the front and back stretches, the new course closely follows the one used previously for hurdle racing. The upper and lower turns are entirely new, and some sodding of these areas was done late last fall. Later this week, the lower turn will be partially resodded with turf taken from the infield at Aqueduct.

John Golden, newly appointed Superintendent of Belmont, says the seedbed preparation is being done with the advice of a turf specialist from the Farmingdale Agricultural College. On those new portions of the course, 1,300 bales of German peat moss, together with tons of limestone, agrinote, superphosphate and other fertilizers, have already been rototilled into the topsoil. Scheduled for April is the addition of more than 4,000 lbs. of a special grass seed mixture.

A few months ago the infield at Belmont suggested a huge building development. One could have strongly doubted racing of any kind through the field this year, but the Greater New York Association, Inc., made the jumping course a must. In the weeks that followed, the topsoil was removed and placed aside in tremendous mounds - then subsoil was removed to level and grade the turns. Relatively little subsoil filling was required anywhere on the course, and, where it was, heavy machinery compacted the soil. Then the topsoil was replaced and the seedbed preparation begun.

Summing up, Cooper is confident about the renewal of jumping races this fall at Belmont, with the assistance of normal spring and summer weather. An announcement will be made shortly of the purse and stake program for jumpers, as well as fixtures for the Saratoga meeting in August. Highlights of the fall season are the three-mile Grand National, often the

test of the year's steeplechase champion, and the \$50,000 Temple Gwathmey, the world's richest 'chase at the United Hunts meeting in mid-October, which climaxes the regular fall meeting at Belmont Park.

## The Yearling Picture

Grant Dorland

During the past 10 years there has been a tremendous increase in the cost of stakes-class yearling prospects, and also in the value of mares and stallions with stakes-class producing potential. In fact, the better mares and stallions are priced right out of the market, as far as the average breeder is concerned. This is a direct reflection of two conditions on race tracks: mushrooming stakes valued at \$100,000 and up and continued absence of suitable opportunities for medium class stock. For fillies of the latter category the opportunities are nil.

A prominent trainer has said that after you win a maiden and non-winners other than maiden you are practically finished unless you have a stakes horse. You have no place to go except claiming races. What have these race track policies done to the yearling market? Stakes-class prospects are sharply higher. Medium grade colts bring what they did ten years ago. Medium grade fillies are a drug on the market. Yearlings of the prospective claiming variety can hardly be given away. We hear plenty about high yearling sales averages. We hear little or nothing about the fact that the market is completely unbalanced. This affects most owners as well as breeders. Unless track management will encourage and permit secretaries to revamp their programs, the owner and breeder base of the Thoroughbred business will continue on the road to greater instability.

Thoroughbred breeders are doing a magnificent job in producing more stakes-class horses. They are combing the world's markets for and investing millions in high class breeding stock. There is nothing they can do about the poor return from middle grade prospects. The solution for this problem is up to the tracks, 100%. How about the cheap horse? Owners and breeders cannot complain that these performers are slighted because they are often being paid as much or more than they are worth for winning a race. The fact is that cheap horses, exerting pressure from below, are helping stakes horses crowd out the medium class animal which should be the mainstay of the average owner or breeder.

Why a man will continue to breed a mare which produces cheap stock year in and out is a real puzzle. After an ordinary mare produces two or three duds, why persist? Why lose money every time you sell or race her produce? Of course, the best plan is to forget the cheap mare in the first place, also the unraced or lightly raced stallion "who would have been a good one except, etc., etc." Owners and breeders can blame the tracks for the fact

that middle grade horses are not worth any more today than they were ten years ago, but breeders can take full count for flooding the industry with cheap stock. (Reprinted from The Horsemen's Journal)

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## BREWER HEADS AD CLUB

Allen F. Brewer, Jr., Lexington, Ky., equine artist, has been elected President of the Lexington Advertising Club.

## TV REVENUE

Sports Editor Dan Parker of the New York Daily Mirror suggests in a recent column that a percentage of the revenue derived from televising races should be channelled so as to increase purses.

## Middleburg Races

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1. Permian (Dolphin Rock Stable), 150, J. Murphy.
2. King Somali, (W. H. Perry), 154, K. Field.
3. Manaos, (Mrs. V. G. Cardy), 153, S. Riles.

7 started and 6 finished; also ran (order of finish): R. D. Rouse's Easy Timer, 138, J. Aitcheson, Jr.; T. A. Caulk's Black King, 134, W. Carter; Mrs. J. W. Hanes' Great Tom, 144, A. P. Smithwick; Fell; W. L. Rochester, Sr.'s Jane's Bid, 148, N. Lowery. Won by 2 1/2; show by 1 1/2; place by 3/4. Scratched: \*Square Dance 2nd, \*Narcissus 2nd.

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## DETROIT HORSE SHOW

We have been advised by Mr. Bert McIntire of the Bloomfield Open Hunt, that the PHA Dressage Medal Class (A-2) will be eliminated from the Wednesday, June 26th Dressage Event of the Detroit Horse Show. This information was received after the Detroit Horse Show advertisement on Page 16 of this issue had gone to press.

## MR. HERBINSON SUFFERS ATTACK

A. "Sandy" Herbinson's host of friends on both sides of the border will be sorry to learn that he has suffered a heart attack. The genial secretary of the Canadian Hunter and Light Horse Improvement Society is progressing satisfactorily and we all wish him a speedy recovery.

Broadview

## STABLE MANAGER AT 99

Brigadier-General Edwin A. Walker, currently stationed at Honolulu, who generally has a horse or two racing in Virginia and Maryland, employs perhaps the oldest caretaker in the country if not the world, in Col. Siley, said to be one of the last Indian fighters and scouts still alive. He does a man sized job every day looking after the Walker stock and is 99 years old according to his own admission. He lives with his wife at Center Point, Md. and makes two round trips to the stables daily.

B. B.

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## LORD DERBY ILL

The proposed visit of Lord Derby to Kentucky has been cancelled. He contracted glandular fever in West Africa not long ago and is now at his home in Lancashire.

## BOX CLUB PAYS OFF

The Box Club, Southern Pines, N. C. with funds accumulated from riders at one dollar a spill, gave a cocktail party at the Hollywood Hotel this spring. President Earl Hoy, General Manager Dooley Adams and Treasurer Mrs. Cinny Adams have announced major stockholders elected to donate the remaining capital of \$81.00 to the Moore County Hounds panelling fund.

P. S.

## OH BOY I

The perennial bemoaners of the birth of boys riding should have something to cheer up about, at least around Westchester. As usual, when the boys bother to learn to ride at all they do it well. At the closing show of the Sunnyfield winter series, Johnny Luhmann won the USET Open class, first to be held, is now eligible to compete in both junior and open events at the Garden, having won the USET medal at the February show. He also won the AHSA Medal, while Bobby Hammill won this show's USET Medal after placing 2nd to Luhmann in the open. Dick Keller, John Klein and Mike Mikkelsen were close contenders.

## WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER OF P. H. A. FORMED

The new Western New York Chapter of the p. h. a. is well under way after just three meetings. At the last meeting in Pittsford, N. Y. Mr. Dave Wright, Secretary of the National P. H. A., was the guest speaker. He was most generous with his praise, and said he has never seen a new chapter with so much interest and enthusiasm. He also said the membership, which is better than 100, is the largest he has ever seen in so young a chapter.

Officers of the new Chapter are: Chairman - Mr. Mervyn Alexander, Buffalo; Vice-Chairman - Mr. Jack Frohm, Pittsford; Secretary - Mrs. Mickey Way, Penfield; Treasurer - Mr. Roger Young, Pittsford; Corr. Sec. - Mrs. Anthony Sortino, Rochester; Membership Comm. - Chm. Mr. Frank Snyder, Geneseo, Mr. Charles Graham, Brockport, Mr. Kenneth Merle, Avon; Grievance Comm. - Mr. Norman Beach, Pittsford; Entertainment Comm. - Mrs. Harold Thom, Rochester; Publicity - Mrs. Jame A. Messler, Pittsford, and Mr. David Young, Hamburg.

## NATIONAL SPORTING LIBRARY

Mrs Jason Westerfield of Camden, Maine, has presented to the National Sporting Library, "Hunting in Hard Times" by G. Bowers (London, Chapman and Hall) and "Fore's Sporting Notes and Sketches", Vol. 18, 1901.

## \$40 SAVES JUMPER

A six-year-old gelding aptly named Mr. Midnight was once destined to become dog food. That was in 1953 before Dave Schuetz saw the horse in buying pens in Atlantic, Iowa. He paid \$40. for the gelding which was then extremely wild. Schuetz was convinced that he had a natural born jumper when he saw Mr. Midnight clear a barricade at one end of the loading chute. Mr. Midnight is now owned by J. Ray Patterson of Chester, Pa. and winner of many jumping honors. Mr. Patterson turned down an offer of \$6000 from the Mexican government which sought the horse for its Olympic team.

## U. S. OLYMPIC SUCCESS

First and second places in the Equestrian section of the Modern Pentathlon at the 1956 Olympic Games at Melbourne, Australia, were won by the Americans, George Lambert in 9 minutes, 32 seconds with 1070 points and Jack Daniels with 1062.5 points. Louis Riera of Argentina and Lars Hall of Sweden were third and fourth. The latter was the eventual winner of the combined five events.

## SHOWING SOON IN PENNSYLVANIA

From all pre-season reports, southeastern Pennsylvania should have a bumper crop of new entrants in the green and children's classes this spring. Raymond Burr reports that he has a new green prospect that he'll bring out for Kimberton Hills Farm, while Ike Griest expects to field Fox Valley Farms' Ghost Hunter and Memorial Day, both breeding class winners as two-year-olds in this area.

The Milton Kulp stable in Whitemarsh, Pa., has a roster of new faces coming out this season. Pat Skinner's recent purchase from the D. R. Motches, the grey three-year-old Electric Storm (by Irish Luck) should do well in both green and junior divisions, having won all but one of his two-year-old classes last year. Susan Scales has a promising green prospect in her three-year-old Bonne Nuit-Crazy Quilt filly, aptly named Bonne Gras. Hone Wait (Wait A Bit), young Margaret Ogilvie's attractive filly, a reputed full sister to Shannondale, should prove herself in both divisions, despite her size (15.2). Another green division entrant is the chestnut three-year-old by King's Prince, jointly owned by J. H. Kreisher and Joan Jeffries, named King Kile, who's come along rapidly since last fall.

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Two junior division entries of note include Wendy Wanamaker's new Kentucky import, Brave War, a seven-year-old chestnut with manners to beat, and the Kulp-Neill medium pony (13.0) Calypso. Greatly improved over last year, Harold Schaefer's Muffin should make her presence felt in the pony classes. Leslie Wadsworth and her consistent Pincushion will continue to be a threat in junior and equitation classes, and should progress with equal success into the open hunter division this spring.

Leslie Lockhart comes forth with a grey, named Maid of Honor (Girodine) to match her sister's June Bride. One more new green horse will be William Babb's big bay Spider, a colt with lots of substance and a nice way of moving. See you at the shows!

Fencepost



Here to visit the many friends of Harry Hall (a firm devoted to the exclusive manufacture of riding clothes) is Mr. Sydney Barney. Well known as the author of *CLOTHES AND THE HORSE*, a guide to correct dress for all riding occasions, Mr. Barney is also cofounder with Baron Konopka (of St. Hubert Sporting Club fame) of the Rotten Row Riding Club in London. Its purpose is to improve standards of park hacking and to maintain traditional criteria of dress. Mr. Barney was photographed while a guest of New York's Hotel Tuscany. (Elaine Werner)

#### HORSE SHOW ISSUE ADDITION

In our Horse Show Roster, the issue of March 29th, No. 376, Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, the Green Conformation Hunter Champion, Duke of Paeonian, owned by John S. Pettibone, and the Reserve Champion, Ballet Master, Mrs. E. O. Smith, were not listed.

#### SKIING HORSEWOMAN

Among recent school vacationists to Stowe, Vermont, was Gail Porter, enthusiastic show jumper rider.

E. W.

#### SCOTT-GAYFORD

Wedding bells will chime on May 4th for Alice Scott and Tom Gayford, two of the keenest exhibitors of hunters and jumpers in Canada. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Scott, Markham, Ontario, Alice in her junior days was an outstanding equitation rider. She has been showing her father's home-bred hunters with considerable success and her own Sandpiper has been one of the top working hunters in Ontario. Tom Gayford, son of Major and Mrs. Gordon T. Gayford, Toronto, is Canada's best known amateur rider. He has been a member of the Canadian Equestrian Team for a number of years and was a member of Canada's 3 Day Event Team at the 1952 Olympic Games. In addition to the successful showing of the Gaylands Stable horses, he is pilot for Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Coad's top open jumpers Blue Beau and King Hi. The couple will live in Toronto and plan to build a future home at Thornhill, Ontario.

Broadview

#### OMISSION

In last week's issue of The Chronicle we omitted the name of William H. Wilbur, M. F. H. of the Warrenton Hunt, in the caption of the picture on Page 8. Mr. Wilbur is fourth from the left in the Judges' stand. We regret the oversight.

#### UNITED HUNTS DATES

President Amory L. Haskell of United Hunts has announced that its annual meeting will be held at Belmont Park on Tuesday, October 15th and Wednesday, October 16th, 1957.

#### IRISH HUNTERS EXPORTED

Eleven high-class Irish hunters have been shipped to Italy. Nine of them were purchased by the brothers Count Carlo and Count Ricardo D'Angelo, and Colonel Bruni of the Italian Equestrian Sport Federation in Counties Dublin, Wexford, Kilkenny and Waterford for the Italian Army Equitation School. A private owner, Signor Vicenzo Corballo of Milan, bought the remaining two.

One of these two, a young bay horse, The Master, captivated his new owner by his good manners. He had been used at Bray Harriers point-to-point to carry Eddie Evans, whipper-in, as a mounted steward to keep the course clear. In spite of the milling crowds he behaved as mannerly as a police horse in London or New York. He is by the great Wicklow sire of jumpers, the late Tutor, who sired Mr. A. Masseralla's Prince Browney, now with the British team in Nice horse show; and also the Irish Olympic horse, Copper Coin, sold to John Galvin of Woodside, California.

The new horse on the Irish Army Jumping team now jumping at Nice and Rome shows, Cloyne, is also sired by Tutor. This 7-year-old is out of an Irish Battle mare and was bred by Mrs. Daphne Byrne, Moneylands, Arklow.

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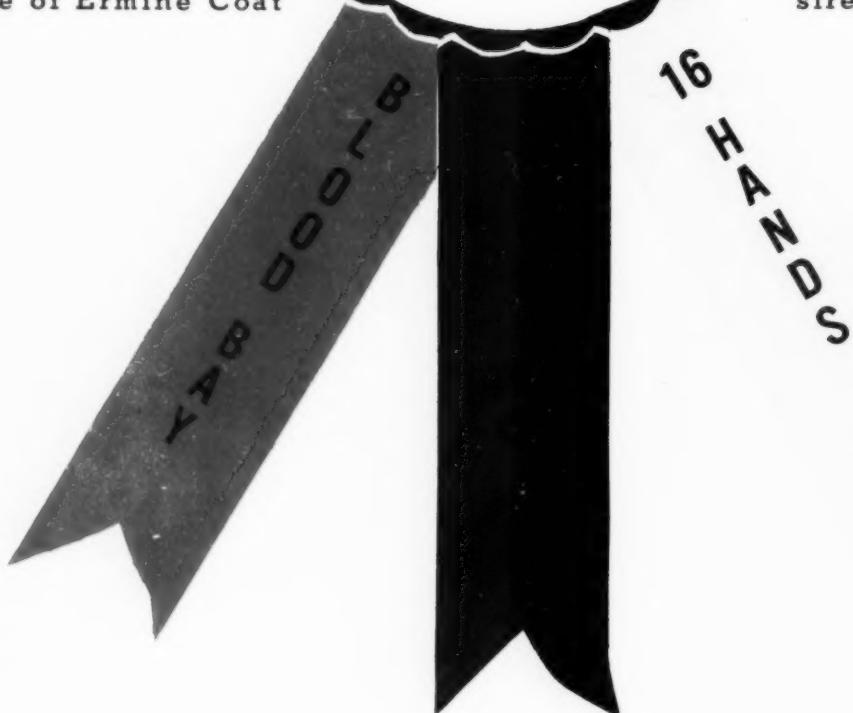
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